

Oratorio San Filippino, Castiglion Fiorentino, Arezzo, Italy

Renovation, Usage & Governance Plan

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Background

In 2016, the now retired Archbishop of Arezzo, Cortona & San Sepulcro, His Excellency Riccardo Fontana, approved an earlier version of this Renovation, Usage & Governance Plan and the preliminary Operating Budget for the restored Oratorio San Filippino church and apartments. We are now in the process of seeking the approval of the new Archbishop, His Excellency Gabriele Bandini for the same. The preliminary Operating Budget relies on rough estimates for operating revenues and expenses and is intended for planning purposes only.

Renovation, Usage and Governance Plan

Friends of San Filippino will be responsible for raising all funds needed to restore and operate Oratorio San Filippino. The President of Friends of San Filippino, Rita Richardson, will designate a full-time resident of Castiglion Fiorentino to oversee the renovation works and spearhead all necessary collaboration and coordination with local residents, church officials, local and regional government officials and tradesmen.

Once fully restored and updated to modern building standards, San Filippino chapel will host a variety of religious services and secular activities that benefit the local community and visitors to Castiglion Fiorentino. It will be operated as a nonprofit organization. The main church will be open to the public when possible. The apartments and common areas will become flexible living and working quarters that will comfortably accommodate visiting priests, scholars, artists, pilgrims and project donors.

Oratorio San Filippino is owned, and will continue to be owned, by the Diocese of Arezzo, Cortona & Sansepolcro. It will be governed by a Board of Directors established for this purpose. The Board will consist of five people: The Archbishop (or his designate), the President of Friends of San Filippino (or her designate), two citizens of Castiglion Fiorentino and one other qualified individual with relevant expertise who may reside anywhere. These final three members of the Board will be selected by the President of the Friends of San Filippino. Each Board member will serve a three-year term. The Board will be set up and organized according to accepted best practices for similar public benefit, nonprofit organizations in Italy and the United States.

Preliminary Operating Budget

Once restored, San Filippino will be operated as a nonprofit organization for the benefit of the local community and visitors. All funds will be raised and spent under the direction of the Board.

Friends of San Filippino will raise an additional endowment fund for San Filippino. Interest earned from this endowment fund will be used for annual operating expenses. Additional

source of revenue for operating expenses will include an annual giving campaign, grants, donations collected during services and events, and user fees.

User fees will include fees charged for the use of the building for special events, fees charged for the use of a planned multi-purpose room, and fees charged for weekly rental of the apartments. The Board, consistent with the mission of the Friends of San Filipino, may implement other user fees and other sources of revenue as needed and appropriate.