

The Changing Role of Arts Commissions and Advisory Boards

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Agenda for

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Austin Arts Commission work session

Five essential questions for our conversation:

1. Do we have a shared vision for the arts in Austin?
2. What are plausible scenarios for strengthening the arts and cultural sector in Austin?
3. Will our current way of work (as a Commission) respond to the City's commitment to racial equity?
4. How do we contribute to achieving this commitment?
5. What are our key assumptions related to equity?

Facilitated Discussion

Changes in Public Sector Arts Funding

- National trends toward achieving racial and cultural equity
- Partnerships with the private sector
- Accountability and performance measures
- Q & A

Strategic foresight

- Managing public investment for the arts
- Public Engagement
- External factors
- Q & A

Achieving Equity

- Role of the Commission
- Communicating with constituents
- What external expertise will we need?
- Q & A