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AGENDA



Monday, September 11, 2006

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Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 13

Subject: Approve a resolution awarding contracts for Cultural Arts Services for the Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$4,928,427 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Proposed Budget for the Cultural Arts Fund for cultural arts contracts; \$28,481 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Texas Commission on the Arts Subgranting Program grant for a total of \$4,956,908.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Additional Backup Material
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 Resolution

For More Information: Vincent Kitch, Cultural Arts Program Manager / 974-9310

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended and adopted by the Austin Arts Commission.

Prior Council Action: Council approved a resolution to approve contracts for Cultural Arts Services for FY 2005-2006 on September 12, 2005.

Council is requested to approve cultural arts funding in the amount of \$4,956,908. The funding includes \$4,928,427 from the Cultural Arts Fund and \$28,481 from the Texas Commission on the Arts Subgranting Program grant. This is the first year of a two-year application cycle. The funding has been allocated to support applicants in the Cultural Arts Funding Programs who received a score of 75 or greater in the 2006 peer review process. It also includes funding for the Capacity Building Program, the Special Opportunities Program, and new programs and adjustments, and continues funding for Zachary Scott Theater maintenance at \$60,000.

The funding subcommittee of the Austin Arts Commission worked with the Cultural Arts Division in the development of a funding plan and formulaic allocation of funds based on a funding matrix model adopted by Council on August 18, 2005. Deliberations by the Arts Commission on the funding plan and related matrix parameters were conducted in a blind process. Names of the individual applicants were not revealed.

The Austin Arts Commission adopted the following funding plan recommendation:

Organizational Support \$1,338,000 Organizational/Project Support \$1,963,195 Project Support II \$1,232,276 Capacity Building Program \$ 160,000 Special Opportunities \$ 60,000 Zachary Scott Maintenance \$ 60,000 New Programs and Adjustments \$ 38,690 Additional Contingency/Reserve \$ 104,747 Total Cultural Contracts Funding \$4,956,908

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The Council approves Cultural Service Contracts with the contractors listed in the attached Exhibit "A" in the corresponding amounts, subject to adjustment as set out below, and in a total amount not to exceed \$4,956,908 and authorizes the City Manager or her designee to enter into such contracts on such terms and conditions as may be favorable, necessary or required; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the City Manager or her designee is authorized to make formula-based adjustments to funding amounts not to exceed the amount of her administrative authority, based on the arts funding matrix approved by Council, and as necessary to correct mathematical or categorization errors, or based on updated financial information.

ADOPTED: _____, 2006

ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

[pending final Council approval]

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