



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Economic Development Division

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TO: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin and City Council Members

FROM: Sheila Dodd, Interim Community Development Services Director
Rachel Lauren Storm, Arts & Culture Coordinator

DATE: November 29, 2021

SUBJECT: **A Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of an Illinois Arts Council Agency (IACA) Grant for Public Arts Program Operating Support (FY 2022 Urbana Arts and Culture Program)**

Introduction

The Urbana Arts and Culture Program was recently awarded a grant by the Illinois Arts Council Agency (IACA) to support general operations of the Arts Program in Fiscal Year 2022. IACA's funding is awarded to exceptional arts organizations and organizations with significant arts programming.

Discussion

IACA, a state agency, provides operating and technical support to organizations and programs statewide. In doing so, the agency helps keep Illinois' arts sector vital, vibrant, and accessible to all. IACA's Program Grant funds provide support to established not-for-profit organizations that create a meaningful impact in their communities through high-quality arts programming.

The grant is an award in the amount of \$5,700 in unrestricted program support. A copy of the grant agreement explaining the terms is attached to the resolution. As indicated, funds received from this grant will be used to support general operations of the Arts and Culture Program in FY 2022. Matching funds required for this grant will be entirely covered by the Arts and Culture Program expenditures already included in the current City budget.

While the grant fund has already been awarded to the City, it is necessary to adopt a resolution signifying the City's formal acceptance of the grant and outlining the terms under which the funds were provided.

Fiscal Impacts

There is no increase in general fund expenditures related to this grant. The grant money itself will support the hiring of a part-time staff person to assist the Arts and Culture Coordinator.

Options

1. Approve the attached resolution.
2. Approve the resolution with changes.
3. Do not approve the resolution.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution with placement on the City Council consent agenda authorizing acceptance of the IACA grant to the Urbana Arts and Culture Program.

Attachments: Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of an Illinois Arts Council Agency (IACA)
Grant for Public Arts Program Operating Support

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF
AN ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL AGENCY (IACA) GRANT FOR ARTS AND
CULTURE PROGRAM OPERATING SUPPORT**

(Arts and Culture Program)

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana (the “City”) is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, and the passage of this Resolution constitutes an exercise of the City’s home rule powers and functions as granted in the Illinois Constitution, 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City operates an arts and culture program known as the “Urbana Arts and Culture Program” (the “Arts Program”); and

WHEREAS, the City has in one or more years accepted funds from various grants, including Illinois Arts Council Agency (“IACA”) grants, in order to fund the Arts Program; and

WHEREAS, IACA has awarded a grant (“Grant”) in the amount of \$5,700 in unrestricted funds for operational support the Arts Program; and

WHEREAS, the City is willing to accept the Grant on the terms and conditions provided by IACA as described in the exhibit appended hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, of the City of Urbana, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. That IACA’s Grant to provide operational support to the Arts Program shall be and hereby is accepted by the City and that the City shall abide by the terms and conditions provided in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 2. That the Mayor of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same is hereby authorized to undertake such additional steps as may be necessary for the City to receive the Grant and to arrange for the City's compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the exhibit appended hereto and made a part hereof without further actions by the City Council.

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of, _____.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor