

ITEM #:	<u>13</u>
DATE:	<u>05-26-26</u>
DEPT:	<u>ADMIN</u>

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: FY 2026/27 COMMISSION ON THE ARTS ANNUAL GRANT CONTRACTS

BACKGROUND:

The City Council authorized the Commission on the Arts (COTA) to allocate up to \$260,567 in arts agency funding for FY 2026/27. At the City Council's FY 2026/27 Budget Wrap-Up Session, the City Council received recommendations from COTA for each arts agency totaling \$253,815. Additionally, COTA recommended reserving \$6,752 of its allocation to use for fall and spring special projects. The City Council has allocated funding in the FY 2026/27 Budget for these grants.

Contracts were prepared for each agency receiving a COTA annual grant. These contracts have been delivered to arts organizations and returned with signatures, and are now presented for City Council approval. A summary of the COTA funding for each agency is attached.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the COTA Annual Grant contracts as recommended by the Commission on the Arts.
2. Request further information from COTA prior to approving these contracts.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The City Council has allocated funding in the City Budget to fund arts activities, and the Commission on the Arts has received applications and made awards that meet the criteria for COTA funding. Contracts are required to define the scope of services that will be met by each organization receiving funding. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as described above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[2026-27 COTA Grant Recommendations.pdf](#)