



COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 5.5

DATE: March 24, 2026
TO: Chairperson and Members of the Commission for the Arts
FROM: Allen McFarland, Management Analyst II
SUBJECT: Report from the Partnership Model Ad Hoc Committee

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Commission for the Arts receive the oral report from the Partnership Model ad hoc committee and provide further direction.

DECISION TYPE

Administrative

SUMMARY

During the July 22, 2025, regular meeting, the Commission for the Arts voted to establish a Partnership Model ad hoc committee. Since the ad hoc committee's last update in November 2025, they have had several opportunities to meet and are now prepared to report out on the status of their work.

DISCUSSION

During the July 22, 2025, meeting, the Commission was asked to discuss and determine what work, if any, should be done related to the Partnership Model, and if deemed to be appropriate, establish an ad hoc committee to further review and discuss the Partnership Model. Commission members present unanimously voted to establish this ad hoc committee. This ad hoc committee has met on several occasions and will now share their updated findings, suggestions, and several draft documents including two draft Partnership Model Initial Engagement Letters, and an About the Commission for the Arts document.

ATTACHMENTS

- [1. Draft Partnership Model Initial Engagement Letter - Version 1](#)
- [2. Draft Partnership Model Initial Engagement Letter - Version 2](#)
- [3. Draft About the Commission for the Arts Document](#)

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