



COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 5.1

DATE: January 27, 2026
TO: Chairperson and Members of the Commission for the Arts
FROM: Allen McFarland, Management Analyst II
SUBJECT: Review of Draft 2026 Commission for the Arts Workplan.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Commission for the Arts approve the draft 2026 workplan.

DECISION TYPE

Administrative

SUMMARY

The Commission for the Arts is asked to review and approve the draft 2026 workplan. The draft workplan is a comprehensive representation of continuing goals and priorities, new ideas, objectives, and strategies from staff, and feedback received from the Commission.

DISCUSSION

As an advisory body of the City of Livermore, the Commission for the Arts is required to have an approved workplan in place that will guide and provide direction for the work that will be completed each calendar year. Staff is tasked with reviewing existing workplans and the progress towards goals and objectives, soliciting feedback from the Commission, and ensuring alignment with the City's strategic plan and direction; collectively, this information is used in the creation of a draft workplan for the Commission's review and approval.

Staff has reviewed the current and recent work of the Commission for the Arts, evaluated how it aligns with the City's current strategies, and at the special meeting of November 18, 2025, the Commission provided feedback on the existing plan and ideas for the future workplan. These steps have culminated with the creation of the attached draft 2026 Commission for the Arts workplan. This draft plan recognizes the important role of the Commission and leverages the significant contributions that the Commission can make towards enhancing the arts environment within the City.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft 2026 Commission for the Arts Workplan

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