

COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 5.6

DATE: July 22, 2025

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Commission for the Arts

FROM: Allen McFarland, Management Analyst II

SUBJECT: Report on the status of the Partnership Model

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Commission for the Arts receive a report on the Partnership Model and its now sunset subcommittee, provide feedback, and if deemed appropriate, establish a new ad hoc committee to continue review and development of the Partnership Model.

SUMMARY

During the June 24, 2025, Commission for the Arts meeting, a matter was initiated by Commissioner deOrnelas to bring the Partnership Model back up for discussion. The Commission for the Arts collectively expressed support for bringing this item to a future meeting. This matter is being agendized for this meeting based on that action.

DISCUSSION

During the July 23, 2024, Commission for the Arts meeting, the now sunset Partnership Model Subcommittee presented a communication toolkit for consistent messaging with community partners. The Commission for the Arts reviewed the toolkit and requested the subcommittee incorporate feedback received and present the updated communication toolkit at a future meeting.

During the October 22, 2024, Commission for the Arts meeting, the now sunset Partnership Model Subcommittee presented a draft document (attached) to be used for "Partnership Model Initial Engagement". After receiving the report, the Commission determined that the next step was to be a review of the list of liaisons.

To bring the Commission for the Arts into alignment with City Council Rules of Procedure [section 16.2(3)(b)], during the November 19, 2024, Commission meeting, all standing subcommittees, with the exception of the Developer Initiated Art Subcommittee, were sunset with the option to reestablish them as ad hoc committees as needed.

The Commission is now asked to discuss and determine what work, if any, should be done related to the Partnership Model. If deemed to be appropriate, an ad hoc committee can be established to further review and discuss the Partnership Model.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft for Partnership Model Initial Engagement

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