



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Community Services  
**Department No.:** 057  
**For Agenda Of:** October 18, 2022  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:** N/A  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department George Chapjian, Director, Community Services Department  
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Contact Info: Sarah Rubin, Executive Director, Office of Arts and Culture  
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**SUBJECT: Execution of Grant Agreement Between the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Santa Barbara for FY 2022-2023 Arts and Culture Programs and Projects**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence: Risk Management**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

**That the Board of Supervisors:**

- A) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute an agreement with the City of Santa Barbara to receive a grant in the amount of \$460,847 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 for the County's Office of Arts and Culture to implement and administer the City's arts grant program and to provide administrative services in support of the City's arts programs. (Attachment 1); and,
- B) Determine that the approval and execution of the Agreement is not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the action is a creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

**Summary Text:**

The Office of Arts and Culture, a division of the Community Service Department, enters into a grant agreement each year with the City of Santa Barbara for the provision of various arts programs. Funding from this agreement helps to offset operating costs for the Office of Arts and Culture.

This successful collaboration, which has been in place for 38 years, enables the City and the County to work together to deliver high quality art and cultural services to the community while leveraging mutual investment for an increased return. Of the funding, 64% is regranting to support arts and culture programs, festivals, and nonprofits in the City of Santa Barbara.

By executing the agreement, the County will accept funding from the City in the amount of \$460,847 for staff services, manage grant programs and administration, facilitate public art, and produce the City Poet Laureate program for FY 2022-2023.

**Background:**

This is the 38th consecutive year of the County’s contractual arrangement with the City of Santa Barbara, in which the City provides funding to the County for cooperative arts programs administered by the County Office of Arts and Culture. This annual agreement enables the City and the County to work together as partners to deliver high-quality, accessible art and cultural services to the community.

The partnership with the City enables the Office of Arts and Culture to leverage additional State and private funding to provide additional services to residents and visitors in the City and County and help support staff costs.

The total amount of the grant agreement is \$460,847 and covers the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The administrative allocation is \$151,900. For Cultural District arts projects and promotions production costs, the allocation is \$13,000. For pass-through grant monies, the allocation is \$295,947.

In Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Office of Arts and Culture facilitated three separate City grant programs, administering funds to 39 organizations. These grant programs engaged community members through celebrations of place and belonging; supported a thriving and inclusive creative economy; and provided resources to grow and sustain access to arts and culture.

**Performance Measure:**

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 5. Maintain and Enhance the Quality of Life for All Residents.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Current FY Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u></b>
Other: City of Santa Barbara Grant			
Revenue	\$ 460,847.00		
Total	\$ 460,847.00	\$ -	\$ -

**Narrative:**

There is no impact on the County’s General Fund Contribution to the Office of Arts and Culture as a result of execution of this grant agreement. Revenue received as a result of this agreement, in the

amount of \$460,847 will initially be deposited in the County Arts Trust Fund (#1001) and transferred to the Office of Arts and Culture's General Fund budget to cover actual program expenses. The revenue and expenditures associated with this agreement have been included in the Office of Arts and Culture's adopted FY 2022-2023 budget.

**Staffing Impacts:**

None

**Special Instructions:**

- 1) Clerk of the Board to send two original copies of the grant agreement to the City Clerk/City of Santa Barbara, and one original copy of the grant agreement to the County Office of Arts and Culture, Attention: Hannah Rubalcava
- 2) The City of Santa Barbara anticipated date of execution is October 18<sup>th</sup>
- 3) Upon execution by all parties the Community Services Department will return a fully executed agreement to the Clerk of the Board for retention in the record

**Attachments:**

Attachment 1 – Grant Agreement between the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Santa Barbara

**Authored by:**

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**cc:**

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