



AGENDA ACTION FORM

Consideration of a Resolution to Apply for and Receive the Tennessee Arts Commission Partnership Grant for FY27

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *CM*

Action Form No.: AF-341-2025

Work Session: December 15, 2025

First Reading: N/A

Final Adoption: December 16, 2025

Staff Work By: Committee

Presentation By: Michael T. Borders

Strategic Focus Area: 3. Exceptional Cultural & Recreational Opportunities

Recommendation:

Approve the Resolution

Executive Summary:

If approved, the City will apply for and accept funds from the Tennessee Arts Commission (TAC) Partnership Support Grant in the amount of \$78,320, which will provide operational support for arts programming in Kingsport.

The TAC Partnership Support Grant offers annual operating support for qualified arts organizations headquartered and chartered in Tennessee. The Office of Cultural Arts has successfully received this grant for several years to strengthen cultural opportunities and expand access to the arts within Kingsport.

This application continues long-standing participation in the TAC Partnership program. If awarded, funding will support Cultural Arts programming including the Iron Pour, the Kingsport Arts Festival, performing arts series at the Allandale Mansion Amphitheater, Kids Art programming at the Kingsport Farmers Market, temporary public art installations, and partner programming throughout the community. The grant requires a 1:1 match, which will be met through the Cultural Services Division operating and salary budget.

Attachments:

1. Resolution

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Cooper	—	—	—
Duncan	—	—	—
George	—	—	—
Mayes	—	—	—
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Montgomery	—	—	—