



AGENDA ACTION FORM

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

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *cm*

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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) Arts Education Support Grant for FY27 in the amount of \$18,000 to support hands-on arts learning programs for youth in Kingsport.

The Education Community Learning Grant supports single-project initiatives that use the arts as a tool for learning in communities or non-traditional education settings. The Cultural Services Division was awarded this grant in the previous cycle to launch the Mobile Arts Studio series, providing structured K-12 arts education in local neighborhoods.

The Cultural Services Division proposes to build upon this successful initiative by offering arts education programming in subsidized housing neighborhoods and other underserved areas of the City. The program will be delivered in partnership with local nonprofit organizations and will include instruction in color theory, structure, art history, shadows and shading, and plein air practices. If awarded, grant activities will be completed by June 17, 2027, with award announcements expected in June 2026.

There is no match requirement for this grant.

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Supplemental Information

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Duncan	—	—	—
George	—	—	—
Mayes	—	—	—
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