



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 10/14/2025

REQUESTER: Karla Sitton, Administrative Tech IV

PRESENTER: Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE RECEIPT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT FROM FIREHOUSE ART CENTER TO THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

BACKGROUND:

The Norman Firehouse Art Center (FAC) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation and was founded in 1970 as a community arts center, operating out of a vacated, city-owned building, which previously served as a fire station. The facility has since been transformed into a house of professionally working visual arts studios, which accommodate both adult and youth art education programming, a gift shop, and dedicated exhibition gallery space. The FAC provides art education programming in Norman public elementary schools and serves as a partner to many community events.

DISCUSSION:

The City has Contract K-2324-41 with Firehouse Art Center (FAC) to assist with the operation of the FAC to include the visual arts studios, adult and youth art education programs, a gift shop and exhibition gallery space. FAC gave its annual presentation to the Board of Park Commissioners on June 5, 2025. Their presentation included information about their events, programming, rentals, and 2023-2024 financials.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council accept the Firehouse Art Center (FAC) annual report for the 2024 calendar year