



CITY OF OREGON CITY

Staff Report

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To: Enhancement Grant Program Committee **Agenda Date:** June 17, 2024
From: Ann Griffin, Economic Development Coordinator

SUBJECT: 2023-24 Enhancement Grant Extension Requests and 2024-25 Grant Proposals

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is pleased to share 12 proposals for Community Enhancement Grant support for 2024-2025, and two requests for extensions from 2023-2024 grant recipients.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The 2024-25 Community Enhancement Grant application period lasted from March 18-May 24, 2024. The City of Oregon City received 16 applications. Staff determined that 12 were qualified to be reviewed. In addition, the City received two extension requests from 2023-2024 grant recipients. The two extension requests and 12 proposals are summarized below.

BACKGROUND:

Two organizations that received an Enhancement Grant for 2023-24 have requested an extension.

| Organization | Original Grant | Spent to Date | Anticipated Completion |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Clackamas County Historical Society | \$25,200 | \$2,123 | 12/31/24 |
| Oregon City Arts Commission | \$15,900 | \$3,000 | 12/31/24 |

Each organization that has requested an extension will make a presentation at the EGPC meeting on 6/17.

The 12 qualifying proposals for new grant funding are listed below.

| Organization | Proposed Project | Amount Requested |
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| Canemah Historic Cemetery Association | Canemah Historic Cemetery | \$5,295 |
| Clackamas County Arts Alliance | Expanding Creative and Economic Opportunity for Artists and Makers | \$50,000 |
| Clackamas Workforce Partnership | Clean Slate Clackamas | \$50,000 |
| Greater Oregon City Watershed Council | The Abernethy and Singer Creek Parks Watershed Education and Enhancement Project | \$26,940 |
| Hannah Grace Family | Ascend Music (Year 4) | \$27,680 |
| OC Together/OC School District | Fentanyl and Other Drugs Awareness Campaign | \$13,500 |
| Oregon City Arts Commission | Restoration of Oregon City Public Art | \$8,000 |
| Oregon City Farmers Market | OC Farmers Market Snap Match | \$18,500 |
| Oregon City Parks & Recreation Dept. | Movies in the Park | \$10,699 |
| Oregon City Porch Fest | Porch Fest 2024 | \$37,550 |
| Park Place Neighborhood Association | Park Place Environmental Heritage and Trails Project | \$37,000 |
| Willamette Falls Symphony Orchestra | Willamette Symphony 24-25 Season | \$39,000 |

Total Requested:

\$324,164

Ineligible Proposals: Staff also received five project proposals that they determined were not eligible for funding, for the reasons listed below.

| Organization | Amount Requested | Total Project Cost | Reason Ineligible |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|
| Downtown Oregon City Association | \$15,900 | \$19,898 | Did not have a letter of recommendation from a neighborhood association |
| Oregon City Arts Commission | \$20,000 | \$31,999 | Conflict of Interest - Arts Commission cannot fund and regulate a mural |
| Parrott Creek Family Services | \$50,000 | \$128,276 | Project area outside of the municipal limits |
| Soulflags Art Community Center | \$24,500 | \$35,000 | Did not have permission letter from property owner |

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| Three Rivers Artist Guild | \$27,000 | \$38,700 | Location for proposed gallery not finalized |
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EGCP members will observe that the Oregon City Arts Commission is listed on both the eligible and ineligible project lists. This is the case as the proposal submitted by the Arts Commission included two different projects: the restoration of certain pieces of public art, as well as the restoration and expansion of an existing mural.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve each of the twelve grant proposals, and the two grant extension requests.
2. Approve some portion of the new grant proposals and extension requests.

BUDGET IMPACT:

For New Grant Proposals

Amount \$324,164
FY 2025
Funding Source Metro Disposal Fees

For Grant Extensions

Amount \$35,977
FY 2024
Funding Source Metro Disposal Fees