

## CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEMO

DEPARTMENT Arts and Culture PRESENTED BY

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## <u>ITEM</u>

Community stage for F Street

## BACKGROUND

A group of performing artists have requested a stage to be located in the F St. closure between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the street in front of Natural Grocers. Local performers and artists would use the stage. Several local groups have written letters of support for the stage, and they, as well as others would like to perform on it during the summer. Businesses in the area have signed a petition of support for the project. There will be no cost for performing to the groups for using the stage.

The stage will consist of an outdoor weather resistant stage 16' by 20' designed to work in the space requested.

The stage usage will be managed by a committee of those groups using the stage. The City Arts and Culture department will provide assistance as needed.

Attached is the request to City Council for a stage to be located on F St.

The Public Art Commission approved spending up to \$25,000 for the purchase of the stage. The funding is available in the Commission's 2022 budget.