



Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission Staff Report

Date: September 18, 2024

From: Erika Valentine, Arts & Culture Program Coordinator

Subject: ACHC Speaker/Performance Series and Opportunity Grant Application

Recommended Action:

Provide input and direction on ACHC planning and hosting an Arts Related Speaker/Performance Series, as well as review the Opportunity Grant Application which will be provided for review at the September 18 meeting.

Background/ Information:

There is interest in pursuing an Arts Speaker/Performance Series which would invite artists, creatives, historians, etc. to talk about their work, inspiration, process, a specific project, etc. As well as dancers or musicians to perform/educate about their culture.

This event idea is a continued discussion which was also on the agenda at the August 21, 2024 meeting.

Following that August meeting the ACHC approved moving forward with the [Opportunity Grant](#) which is due on September 20, 2024. The Grant Application is not ready to be included in the packet but will be reviewed at this September 18 meeting.

Next Steps:

The ACHC should establish what additional ACHC members are interested in leading this charge and establishing a subcommittee to report back to the full ACHC. So far Chair Deb Zundel and Vice Chair Nadine Elbitar are taking the lead of facilitating the project with staff support.

The following is a high level list of what needs to be determined, which will not be accomplished in one Meeting or before the Grant Deadline:

- Who the speakers/performers are
- Dates, times, location
- Descriptions for marketing
- Budget (stipend to presenters, refreshments, facility rental, etc.)

Staff will submit the Grant Application on behalf of the ACHC. The ACHC will need to present the project at the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board's Grant Review meeting taking place on October 10, 2024 at 6:00pm.