



Legislation Text

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Arts Education and Concerns Trust Foundation Grant Application (NB)

This item requests approval of the City Commission for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs (PRCA) to accept, if awarded, a grant in an amount up to \$50,000 from the Arts Education and Concerns (AEC) Trust Foundation grant program.

The PRCA Vision 2020 Master Plan identified the need to expose youth and adults that utilize our parks, recreation and cultural centers to art education. The vision for PRCA is to develop and implement a series of art education programs through various mediums: music, dance, art, drama, sculpture, and photography. In order to do this effectively, staff often has the challenge of addressing some of the social concerns that youth bring into the facility which sometimes leads to negative behavior. Using the tenets of the nationally-acclaimed character building program, "Character Counts," the department will partner with local artists guilds, individuals, and foster new partnerships to implement a strategy for bringing art education to the City's recreation centers.

The grant submission deadline is April 1, 2014. The panel review for the grant applications is scheduled for May. The grant awards are announced in June 2014. The grant award period is July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015.

There are minor administrative costs associated with this grant if funded. Since the funds are restricted to development and implementation of programs, no funding match is required.

The City Commission: 1) approve the request to accept a grant in an amount up to \$50,000, if awarded, from the Arts Education and Concerns Trust Foundation for the development and implementation of an art education series of programs in the City's recreation centers; and 2) if the grant is awarded, authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the grant agreement and other related grant documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.