



RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION

Arts Commission

Recommendation Number: (2020-01RR): Allocating Permanent Art Funds to 2020 Arts and Cultural Grants

WHEREAS, the Arts and Cultural Grant program is an Arts Commission initiative that supports deserving programs and artists selected by the Commission through a rigorous application and selection process each year; and

WHEREAS, the Arts and Cultural Grant program is funded by a combination of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) collections and General Fund allocations; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has negatively and drastically impacted HOT collections throughout the State, including a projected loss of more than 50% of budgeted revenue in San Marcos, and our community faces a long economic recovery; and

WHEREAS; the San Marcos arts community has borne the brunt of the pandemic's economic effects, yet is proving its determination and resilience in the face of this unprecedented crisis; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Marcos has a cumulative balance of \$347,716 available in its Permanent Art Fund, which receives annual allocations from the City's HOT collections;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Arts Commission encourages the San Marcos City Council to allocate \$100,000 on a one-time basis from the Permanent Art Fund to supplement the FY 2020-2021 Arts and Cultural Grant program during this crisis.

Date of Approval: June 3, 2020

Record of the vote: 5-0 in favor

Attest:

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Trey Hatt, Arts Coordinator