

# City of San Antonio

# Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Date:** August 8, 2023

**In Control:** San Antonio Arts Commission

**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Arts and Culture

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Krystal Jones

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

### **SUBJECT:**

Arts Funding: FY24 Performing Arts Venue Facility Improvement Grants Funding Recommendations (Action)

#### **SUMMARY:**

The Department of Arts and Culture Performing Arts Venue Facility Improvement Program is supported by funding through the City's ticketing revenues. Nonprofit Performing Arts Producing Organizations that own or hold a long-term lease (minimum 5 years remaining) of their Bexar County venue or have a lease of a city-owned facility can receive support through this Grant. City owned facilities have no minimum lease terms. Performing Arts Venue Facility Improvement Program Grants are limited to agencies that receive operational grant funding from the Department of Arts and Culture and will be limited in use for approved expenses related to improving a Performing Arts Venue Facility within Bexar County or purchase of equipment to improve the quality of productions/guest experience.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Organizations will receive up to \$10,000 maximum in funding. The Department of Arts and Culture will manage a grant process for the grant. Performing Arts Venue Facility Improvement Program funding will be administered once every two years. Contracts will be for a 12-month period beginning October 1st and capital improvements and equipment purchases must be completed within the 12-month period.

# **ISSUE:**

Staff recommends 12 new grants be funded through the FY24 Performing Arts Venue Facility Improvement Grants.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding for the FY24 Performing Arts Venue Facility Improvement Grants is available in the Arts and Entertainment Fund supported by the City's ticketing agreement with Ticketmaster.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative would be to delay the action item until the next San Antonio Arts Commission meeting.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.