



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Board of Supervisors



Date: August 31, 2012

Board Meeting Date: October 2, 2012

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Carole Groom

Subject: Annual designation of the State-Local Arts Partner with the California Arts Council and Application for a \$12,000 State-Local Partnership Program Grant

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution:

- A) Designating the San Mateo County Arts Commission as the County's local arts partner with the California Arts Council; and
- B) Authorizing the Director of the Department of Public Works and Parks to submit an application to the State-Local Partnership Program for a grant in the amount of \$12,000.

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Supervisors first designated the San Mateo County Arts Commission (Arts Commission) as the County's local arts partner with the California Arts Council (CAC) in 2006 and has continued to do so annually, as required by the CAC. The Arts Commission has applied for a \$12,000 grant from the CAC to implement a portion of a five-year strategic plan they recently adopted to hire a consultant to manage grants and workshop programs. The application process for the grant funding requires a resolution formally designating the Arts Commission as the local arts partner and authorizing the submittal of an application for funding.

DISCUSSION:

In FY 2011-12, the Arts Commission worked with a consultant to develop a five-year strategic plan. The Arts Commission wishes to implement the first year action of the plan to hire a consultant to manage grants and workshop programs. The consultant for the strategic plan advised the Arts Commission at its April 10, 2012 meeting that the CAC had a grant opportunity they could apply for to provide funding for a grants and

workshop programs manager. The deadline for the grant application was April 20, 2012 and the expected announcement of grant awards is mid-October 2012. Staff completed the grant application by the April deadline, and is requesting Board authorization to execute a contract should a grant award be made.

The designation of the County Arts Commission as the local arts partner with the State-Local Partnership Program and submittal of an application for funding contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 for a Collaborative Community as the Arts Commission's goal is a local arts agency that represents the arts county-wide and can support and sustain the arts county-wide.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the County in designating the Arts Commission as the local arts partner. The Arts Commission budget has designated \$24,000 to hire a consultant to manage their grants and programs if this grant of \$12,000 is awarded. If the grant is not awarded, they have designated \$20,000 of their budget for this consultant. The Commission's budget is \$54,999 in general fund money.