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#### Chapter 1 Arts Grant Program<sup>1</sup>

##### 14-1-1 Legislative Intent.

An arts grant program is hereby created, whose purpose is to stimulate and promote the visual, literary, and performing arts in the city for the benefit of the people of the city by providing encouragement and finance support for local arts programs and artists.

##### 14-1-2 Eligible Programs and Projects.

(a) Artists and arts organizations are eligible to apply for grants from the city for programs and projects that stimulate or promote the availability of visual, literary, or performing arts for the people of the city. Such programs and projects may include, without limitation:

- (1) Musical productions and performances;
- (2) Lectures and classes;
- (3) Theater productions and performances;
- (4) Poetry readings;
- (5) Radio and television programs;
- (6) Dance productions and performances;
- (7) Visual art, craft, and photographic festivals and exhibitions;
- (8) Visual artwork for public buildings, facilities and spaces; and
- (9) Film productions and performances.

(b) Any performance, production, lecture, class, reading, exhibition, festival, film, or other program funded in whole or in part by a grant under this chapter shall be held or shown within the Boulder Valley as defined by the then current version of the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan; but any such program funded jointly by the city hereunder and by another political subdivision of the State of Colorado may be held or shown in such other political subdivision, as long as at least one performance of any such program is held within the Boulder Valley.

(c) All visual artwork, crafts, and photographs funded in whole or in part by grants under this chapter shall become the property of the city or shall be made available to the city for public display for a period of time and at a cost to be determined by the City of Boulder Arts Commission<sup>2</sup> and the grantee at the time the grant is awarded.

Ordinance No. 4954 (1985)

##### 14-1-3 Application for Arts Grants.

(a) An applicant for grants under this chapter shall file an application with the commission upon forms prescribed by the commission for that purpose, including information that the commission deems necessary in order to perform its functions set forth in section 14-1-4, "Review By Boulder Arts Commission," B.R.C. 1981.

(b) An applicant shall verify its application as to the truth and correctness of all facts and information presented.

##### 14-1-4 Review by Boulder Arts Commission.

(a) The commission shall review and evaluate all applications for arts grants and, except as otherwise provided in section 14-1-6, "Certain Grants Not Requiring Express Approval," B.R.C. 1981, shall refer to the city council a listing of and report concerning applications it recommends for approval.

(b) In determining whether to recommend approval of an application for a grant for any particular project, the commission shall consider the following:

(1) Whether the application conforms to the requirements set forth in sections 14-1-2, "Eligible Programs And Projects," and 14-1-3, "Application For Arts Grants," B.R.C. 1981;

(2) Whether the proposed project is likely to result in enjoyment of the arts by a substantial number of or diverse groups of people of the city;

(3) Whether the project is of overall artistic and aesthetic merit and quality;

(4) With respect to visual art, whether the project is appropriate as art in a public place and is compatible in scale, material, form, and content with its proposed surroundings;

(5) Whether there are adequate funds available to pay the cost of the proposed project in light of other proposals and the limited funds available to the arts grant program;

(6) Whether the project would promote diversity and innovation in the overall arts grant program in view of other projects that have received or requested grant funding;

(7) With respect to visual art, whether the proposed disposition of the project when completed would result in a long term benefit to the people of the city; and

(8) With respect to the performing arts, whether the production is appropriate for and is available for audio or visual recording to be retained by the city.

(c) The commission shall consult with advisors in reviewing and evaluating grant applications. Advisors shall be visual, performing, or literary artists or any other persons deemed by the commission to have special knowledge or expertise in the arts or humanities.

#### **14-1-5 Referral to the City Council for Approval.**

(a) Upon receipt of recommendations from the commission, the city council shall hold a hearing, which shall be quasi-legislative in nature, on the proposed grant awards.

(b) At such hearing, the city council shall by motion either approve or disapprove the grants recommended by the commission.

#### **14-1-6 Certain Grants Not Requiring Express Approval.**

(a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

"Mini-grant" means an arts grant that does not exceed a specific dollar amount designated in the annual budget documents adopted by the city council.

"Rental assistance grant" means an arts grant that has as its purpose the provision of rental space for classrooms, exhibitions, or performance.

(b) Anything in this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, if the city council, in adopting the annual arts budget, designates in the budget documents a specific maximum dollar amount for individual mini-grants and a maximum cumulative total for all such mini-grants for such year, the commission may award mini-grants within such dollar limitations during such year without receiving further council approval. Such maximum cumulative total may be set forth in the budget documents either separately from or in combination with any maximum cumulative amount set forth for rental assistance grants under subsection (c) of this section.

(c) Anything in this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, if the city council, in adopting the annual arts budget, designates in the budget documents, a maximum cumulative total for rental assistance grants for the year, the commission may award rental assistance grants within such dollar limitation during such year without receiving further council approval. Such dollar limitation may be set forth in the budget documents either separately from or in combination with any maximum cumulative amount set forth for mini-grants under subsection (b) of this section.

(d) Except as provided in this section, the application procedure and criteria for award of mini-grants and rental assistance grants are the same as those applicable to other grants under this chapter.

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<sup>1</sup> Adopted by Ordinance No. 4629. Amended by Ordinance No. 4691.

<sup>2</sup> Section 2-3-2, "Arts Commission," B.R.C. 1981.