



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Quality of Life
AGENDA DATE: October 13, 2020
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): 2, 14
DEPARTMENT: Office of Arts and Culture
EXECUTIVE: Joey Zapata

SUBJECT

Authorize an amendment to Resolution No. 20-1429, previously approved on September 23, 2020 for contracts related to medical and protective supplies due to COVID-19 with **(1)** Dallas Symphony Association; **(2)** Dallas Museum of Art; **(3)** Dallas Center for the Performing Arts Foundation; **(4)** Dallas County Heritage Society; **(5)** Dallas Black Dance; and **(6)** Sammons Center for the Arts to **(a)** expand COVID-19 related eligible expenses to also include, but not limited to capital expenditures (i.e. COVID-related facility improvements such as touchless toilets, sinks, paper towel dispensers, Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning system updates etc.), training, social distancing equipment, and related expenses; and **(b)** allow eligible expenses to include costs incurred between March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020 - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

On September 23, 2020, City Council authorized contracts to the Dallas Symphony Association, Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas Center for the Performing Arts Foundation, Dallas County Heritage Society, Dallas Black Dance Theatre, and Sammons Center for the Arts in a total amount not to exceed \$950,000.00, by Resolution No. 20-1949.

The Office of Arts and Culture (OAC) and partner organizations assessed the various facilities' needs and initial estimates for the COVID-related public health needs at City-owned, partner-managed cultural venues exceeded \$2.5 million. OAC recommended distributing \$1 million dollars to organizations that managed city-owned facilities under OAC's authority.

This amendment will expand the allowable eligible cost and allow the term for cost incurred to align with federal guidance. The timing for the expenditure of the funds is based on CRF eligibility beginning March 1, 2020 and must be expended no later than December 30, 2020.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On April 22, 2020, City Council authorized the acceptance of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) to aid the COVID-19 response throughout the City by Resolution No. 20-0644.

City Council was briefed on the CRF budget which included funds to support partner organizations to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions on June 17, 2020.

City Council was briefed on the City's response to provide cultural facility assistance on August 19, 2020.

On September 23, 2020, City Council authorized contracts to non-profit cultural organizations that hold agreements to manage or operate City-owned cultural venues for reimbursement of expenses for medical and protective supplies related to ensuring public health during COVID-19, by Resolution No. 20-1949.

FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.

OWNERS

Dallas Symphony Association

Kim Noltemy, President/Chief Executive Officer

Dallas Museum of Art

Catherine Marcus Rose, President

Dallas Center for the Performing Arts Foundation

Debbie Storey, President/Chief Executive Officer

Dallas County Heritage Society

Steve Enda, President

Dallas Black Dance Theatre

Gilbert Gerst, Chair

Sammons Center for the Arts

Joanna St. Angelo, Executive Director