COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: FALL 2021 COMMISSION ON THE ARTS (COTA) SPECIAL GRANT

BACKGROUND:

On June 7, the Commission on the Arts (COTA) finalized its recommendations for the Fall 2021 Special Project Grant. One grant request was received in the amount of \$1,000. COTA has \$16,341 in funding available for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 Special Project grants.

COTA reviewed the grant request and recommended approval as indicated below. Copies of a contract were sent to the awarded organization for approval and have been returned. The contract is now presented for City Council's approval.

ORGANIZATION	REQUEST	PROJECT	AWARD
Story Theater Company	\$1,000	Frozen, Jr.	\$1,000
Total	\$1,000		\$1,000

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Approve the COTA special project grant contract as recommended.
- Refer the contract to COTA for further information.
- 3. Do not approve the contract.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Special project grants help advance participation in and awareness of the arts in the Ames community, which is a key goal of the Commission on the Arts. COTA has reviewed the request and has recommended the approval of the contract now presented to the City Council.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.