

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FY 2022/23 COMMISSION ON THE ARTS ANNUAL GRANT CONTRACTS

BACKGROUND:

The City Council authorized the Commission on the Arts (COTA) to allocate up to \$216,470 in arts agency funding for FY 2022/23. At the City Council's FY 2022/23 Budget Wrap-Up Session, the Council received COTA's recommendations for each arts agency. Additionally, COTA recommended reserving \$10,000 of its allocation to use for fall and spring special project. The City Council has allocated funding in the FY 2022/23 Budget for these grants.

Contracts were prepared for each agency receiving a COTA annual grant. These contracts have been mailed to arts organizations and returned with signatures and are now presented for City Council approval.

A summary of the COTA funding for each agency is attached.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the COTA Annual Grant contracts as recommended by the Commission on the Arts and approved in the FY 2022/23 budget.
2. Request further information from COTA prior to approving these contracts.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The City Council has allocated funding in the City Budget to fund arts activities, and the Commission on the Arts has received applications and made awards that meet the criteria for COTA funding. Contracts are required to define the scope of services that will be met by each organization receiving funding.

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

COTA 2022-23 Annual Grant Contract Amounts

Organization	TOTAL COTA Funding
ACTORS	\$ 20,000
AIOFA	10,000
Ames Chamber Artists	6,500
Ames Children's Choirs	13,700
Ames Choral Society	4,000
Ames Community Arts Council	13,000
Ames Chapter of Des Moines Metro Opera Guild	1,190
Central Iowa Symphony	13,800
Dancercenter Dance Company Foundation	3,000
Friends of Ames Strings	4,800
Good Company	1,880
KHOI Community Radio	7,600
Kids Co'Motion	3,500
Octagon Center for the Arts	50,000
Senior Variety Show	4,500
Story Theater Company	30,500
Town & Gown	18,500
Agency Award Subtotal	\$ 206,470
Reserve for Special Project Grants	10,000
TOTAL COTA FUNDING	\$ 216,470