



ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION (A&CA) MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING

DATE: Monday, January 30, 2023

TIME: 3:30 PM

LOCATION: Multicultural Family Center, The Ruby Sutton Building, [1157 Central Ave](https://www.google.com/maps/place/1157+Central+Ave,+Dubuque,+IA+52001/@42.481111,-91.008333,17z), Dubuque, IA 52001

Commissioners Present: Nicholas HALDER (chair); Tom ROBBINS (vice-chair); Doug DONALD; Sue RIEDEL; Paula NEUHAUS; Shirley DAVIS-ORWOLL (recorder)

Commissioners Excused: Noelle CHESNEY

Staff Present: Jenni PETERSEN-BRANT (coordinator); Laura MERRICK (grants asst)

Public Present: Jeff DICICCO (Key City Creative Board Member); Andrew DODSON (Heritage Works Operations Manager); Ali LEVASSEUR (Dubuque County Fine Arts Society Board Member); Kara MURPHY (Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Development Director)

HALDER called the meeting to order following staff assurance of Iowa Open Meeting compliance at 3:37 PM.

Roll Call

Roll call conducted for benefit of public present.

New Business

1. Scoring and Funding Scenarios for NEA LAA Arts Operating Recovery Program:

STAFF presented scoring and funding scenarios developed by staff following the review of all Arts Operating Recovery funding applications by reviewers independent of the Commission and City staff. Robust discussion was had on how scenarios were developed and consideration to utilize City ARPA funds set aside for 'Small Business, Nonprofit, Arts Group' support. Commission reviewed all funding options presented and worked collectively to devise an additional equitable strategy based on Option B as presented by Staff. Commissioners advised staff to contact NEA to confirm use of City ARPA funding alongside NEA ARPA funding was allowable before moving forward.

- a. NEUHAUS motioned to recommend Option D to City Manager and City Council with Option B2 as alternate if City ARPA funding not available, DONALD seconded. Vote: *Unanimously affirmed. Motion carried.*

Public Comment/Correspondence

Jeff DiCicco of Key City Creative Center suggested Commission consider having more than 3 grant reviewers. Shared examples from his personal previous experience with other organizations for consideration.

Andrew Dodson of Heritage Works thanked the Commission for their service.

Ali Levasseur asked when grant recipients could expect to be notified. PETERSEN-BRANT shared that City Council would review and vote on the Commission's recommendation at their February 6 meeting and MERRICK will be following with public and applicant communications starting February 7.

Adjournment motioned by ROBBINS, seconded by DONALD at 5:13 PM. Vote:
Unanimously affirmed. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting: Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 3:30 PM,
Multicultural Family Center**

Respectfully submitted:

Jenni Petersen-Brant
Arts & Cultural Affairs Manager, City of Dubuque

These minutes were passed and approved on February 28, 2023.

Witnessed By: Nick Halder (signature)
Nick Halder (printed)
Chairperson (officer position)

ART OPERATING RECOVERY SUBGRANT PROGRAM FUNDING STRATEGIES

Org #				\$435,000 NEA ARAP LAA AWARD					EXTRA CITY ARPA FUNDS		
				OPTION A:		OPTION B:		OPTION C:	OPTION D:		OPTION E:
	Funding % of Max Score (ROUNDED DOWN TO NEAREST \$500 for SCORE 90 OR ABOVE & DOWN)		Funding 98% of % of Max Score (ROUNDED DOWN)		Funding Based on % of Max Scoree	Fully Fund Asks w/ Support from Additional ARPA Funds		Competitive Funding % of Max Score w/ Support from Additional ARPA Funds			
Average Score	% Max of Score	Funding Requests		TO NEAREST \$1000 FOR REST)		TO NEAREST QUARTER)		(ROUNDED UP TO NEAREST QUARTER)			
1	296.67	98.89	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,250.00	\$ 23,750.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,800.00			
2	293.33	97.78	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 23,750.00	\$ 23,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,500.00			
3	293.33	97.78	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 23,750.00	\$ 23,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,500.00			
4	290.00	96.67	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,200.00			
5	288.33	96.11	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,100.00			
6	286.67	95.56	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 23,250.00	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,900.00			
7	285.00	95.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 23,250.00	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,800.00			
8	280.00	93.33	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 22,750.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 23,400.00			
9	270.00	90.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 21,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 22,500.00			
10	270.00	90.00	\$ 14,062.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,250.00	\$ 14,050.00	\$ 14,062.00	\$ 12,700.00			
11	270.00	90.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 21,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 22,500.00			
12	263.33	87.78	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 22,000.00			
13	261.67	87.22	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,250.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,900.00			
14	261.67	87.22	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,250.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,900.00			
15	261.67	87.22	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,250.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,900.00			
16	260.00	86.67	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,250.00	\$ 20,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,700.00			
17	256.67	85.56	\$ 21,010.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 16,750.00	\$ 21,010.00	\$ 18,000.00			
18	245.00	81.67	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,500.00			
19	245.00	81.67	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,500.00			
20	238.33	79.44	\$ 5,375.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,375.00	\$ 5,375.00	\$ 4,300.00			
21	221.67	73.89	\$ 12,327.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,750.00	\$ 12,325.00	\$ 12,327.00	\$ 9,200.00			
22	216.67	72.22	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 14,500.00			
			\$ 497,774.00	\$ 435,000.00	\$ 435,000.00	\$ 435,000.00	\$ 497,774.00	\$ 447,300.00			
			\$ 62,774.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,774.00	\$ 12,300.00			

FULLY FUNDING