


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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	Agenda Item:	24	Roll Call:	26-0502
	Submitted by:	Benjamin R. Page, Parks and Recreation Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving GC26 Local Arts and Culture Program Grant agreement with Bravo Great Des Moines for \$7,500 of grant funding for local cultural programming.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Bravo Greater Des Moines Regional Arts Council's Local Arts and Culture Program Grant agreement and accepting funding in the amount of \$7,500 to enhance existing and add new local cultural programming during the upcoming spring, summer and fall recreation seasons at City of Des Moines parks and recreation facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$7,500 (revenue)

Funding Source: FY 2026 Operating Budget, Parks and Recreation Department, Athletics and Sports Tourism, PK201263, page 173.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Parks and Recreation Department successfully applied for a Bravo Greater Des Moines (Bravo) 2026 Local Arts and Culture Program Grant. The grant funding of \$7,500 is dedicated to generating more artistic and cultural experiences in Des Moines.
- This grant will also provide the department with the opportunity to enhance Des Moines residents' quality of life, especially in the several Neighborhood Associations near Evelyn K. Davis Park as a portion of the funding is anticipated to support fresh, new artistic and cultural performances during upcoming events at this location.
- The department will prominently recognize Bravo in its donor acknowledgment for the financial contribution to any program supported by the grant funding and will complete the required Final Report within 30 days of the program completion or by January 15, 2027, whichever is earlier.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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