

Date April 10, 2023

APPROVING ARPA FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH BRAVO GREATER DES MOINES FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, Congress enacted the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) to provide relief to combat the continued impact of COVID-19 on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City has received ARPA funding from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the City desires to aid nonprofit organizations to address the disparate inequities that impacted the Des Moines community; and

WHEREAS, Bravo Greater Des Moines (“Agency”) seeks funds for the general operations of the Agency and consistent with the purposes set forth within the existing 28E agreement with the City and will specifically focus on: 1) teacher training in arts integration to build long-term capacity of educators to leverage arts and culture to enhance learning outcomes and strengthen student engagement, 2) expanding after school and summer arts and cultural engagement opportunities and access, and 3) capacity building to sustainably strengthen organizations’ ability to provide quality and vibrant youth arts programming (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Agency will endeavor to maximize the impact of existing programs being delivered by cultural organizations headquartered in and already in partnership with the Agency, including the following collaborators:

- Afterschool Arts Program
- ArtForce Iowa
- Blank Park Zoo
- City Voices
- Des Moines Playhouse
- Des Moines Performing Arts
- Des Moines Symphony Association
- Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre
- Des Moines Art Center
- Fort Des Moines Museum and Education Center
- Gateway Dance Theatre
- Girls Rock! Des Moines
- Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden
- Greater Des Moines Music Coalition Inc
- Hoyt Sherman Place Foundation

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- I'll Make Me a World in Iowa
- Iowa Architectural Foundation
- Iowa Juneteenth
- Iowa Youth Chorus
- Salisbury House Foundation
- Science Center of Iowa
- SEEDS
- State Historical Society of Iowa

WHEREAS, the Project will prioritize programming impacting Des Moines residents under the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, the Project will serve the public purposes of cultivating arts and culture within the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter in to a ARPA Funding Agreement (“Agreement”) to provide a financial grant in the amount of \$750,000 in support of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to expend ARPA federal funds received by the City from the U.S. Department of Treasury, OMB Number 1505-0271, titled Corona Virus Local Fiscal Recover Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.
2. The Grant Agreement between the City and Agency for the Project for a grant not to exceed \$750,000 is hereby approved and, subject to the Legal Department’s approval of the Agreement as to form, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign said Agreement, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the Mayor’s signature.

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(Council Communication No. 23-197)

MOVED by _____ to adopt. Second by _____.

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Lisa A. Wieland
 Lisa A. Wieland
 Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
BOESEN				
GATTO				
MANDELBAUM				
SHEUMAKER				
VOSS				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				

CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, City Clerk of said City, hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

_____ Mayor

_____ City Clerk