## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Section: New Business Originating Department: Date:

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Parks and Recreation 09/20/21

*Item:* Fine Arts Commission Granting Program

No. **5.4** 

## **SUMMARY OF REQUESTED ACTION:**

The Fine Arts Commission will begin to field proposals for relief grants to artists or non-profit. Arts Organizations to help with support at this difficult time. The Fine Arts Commission will grant up to \$500 per proposal. The Fine Arts Commission will only exceed their budget for this program of \$3,000 if the demand warrants do so, and then funds from the Blue Heron Project (1,300) may supplement to award others. The initial 6 (or more if smaller) awards of this granting program is within the 2021 Fine Arts Commission budget, and the awards will only be for full time residents or organizations based in the City of Winona.

The awards proposal is attached for your review.

Staff recommends approval of the Fine Arts Commission Grant program.

If City Council concurs, a motion to approve the attached grant guidelines and direct staff to implement the program would be in order.

Department Approval:

City Manager Approval: