

Strengthening arts, culture, and creative expression as the tools to cultivate a better California for all.

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PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

January 5, 2022 11:30 AM – 3:20 PM

Public meeting access will be provided online at https://arts.ca.gov/about/council-meetings/

11:30 AM	1.	Call to Order	L. Gonzáles-Chávez
11:35 AM	2.	Acknowledgment of Tribal Land	A. Bown-Crawford
11:45 AM	3.	Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum	K. Margolis
12:00 PM	4.	Chair's Report TAB A	L. Gonzáles-Chávez
12:15 PM	5.	Director's Report TAB B	A. Bown-Crawford
12:30 PM	6.	Voting Item: Approval of Minutes from Previous Council Meeting • December 7, 2021 TAB C	L. Gonzáles-Chávez
1:00 PM	7.	Public Comment Two forms of public comment will be offered: - Written comments will be accepted online prior to and during the Council meeting - Live comments will be accepted during this agenda item in the meeting via Zoom or phone. Live public comment may be limited to 2 minutes per person. Access and instructions will be provided at https://arts.ca.gov/about/council-meetings/	K. Margolis
1:15 PM	8.	Discussion: The Equity committee will lead a discussion and share their proposed edits to the State-Local Partner guidelines that include requiring an Equity Assessment. TAB D	C. Montoya
1:45 PM	9.	Voting Item: Programs Policy committee will present the 2022 State-Local Partner and Arts & Cultural Organizations General Operating Relief guidelines for approval. TAB E	J. Evans L. Gonzáles-Chávez

2:00 PM	10. Committee Updates: TAB F • Legislative Committee	J. Moscone C. Montoya
2:15 PM	11. Update on California Creative Corps Pilot Program: Community Panel meetings TAB G	V. Estrada C. Montoya
2:30 PM	 12. Public Comment Two forms of public comment will be offered: - Written comments will be accepted online prior to and during the Council meeting - Live comment will be accepted during this agenda item in the meeting via Zoom or phone. Live public comment may be limited to 2 minutes per person. Access and instructions will be provided at https://arts.ca.gov/about/council-meetings/ 	K. Margolis
3:00 PM	13. Future Agenda Items Roll Call	L. Gonzáles-Chávez K. Margolis
3:10 PM	14. In Memoriam	L. Gonzáles-Chávez
3:20 PM	15. Adjournment	L. Gonzáles-Chávez

- 1. All times indicated and the orders of business are approximate and subject to change.
- 2. Any item listed on the Agenda is subject to possible Council action.
- 3. A brief mid-meeting break may be taken at the call of the Chair.
- 4. The CAC retains the right to convene an advisory committee meeting pursuant to Government Code Sec. 11125 (d).
- 5. Per Executive Order N-29-20, the Council Meeting will be held via teleconference. There will be no physical meeting location in order to comply with public health guidelines. If you need additional reasonable accommodations, please make sure you request no later than December 31, 2021 at 5 pm. Please direct your request to the Public Affairs Specialist, Kimberly Brown, at (916) 322-6413 or kimberly.brown@arts.ca.gov.
- 6. Public comment instructions will be provided at https://arts.ca.gov/about/council-meetings/.
- 7. Arts and cultural organizations or coalitions that wish to be scheduled on an upcoming agenda must submit a request to info@arts.ca.gov outlining a synopsis of their work and their purpose for inclusion at a Council meeting. All requests will be sent to the Council Chair for consideration, and may or may not be accepted and subsequently scheduled.

TAB A

California Arts Council | Public Meeting | 1/5/2022



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Chairpersons Report

January 5, 2022

Happy New Year Colleagues,

As we enter our third year of Covid, I am impressed by the way the arts community has stepped up to find new and interesting ways to engage the public virtually, with smaller audiences and masked participants. This time continues to challenge us all and while we do not want to get used to this new normal, we see success with adapting until we can get back to a real normal. Congratulations to all of the artists and arts organizations.

I recently read a meme that said, "All great achievements require time." The process to distribute State funds is a major achievement that requires our time. Time to read materials carefully, and time to get information out, and applications in. Time for staff to get information to the Council and the public. Let us strive this year to achieve our work in a timely way so that we can achieve all the great work the California Arts Community deserves. This requires that we all step up and participate when called upon to do so. Our schedules are tight sometimes, but we have made a commitment to serve, and we must stand ready to do so.

The Council is down members, with Don leaving and Kathy soon to leave, we do not have enough members to create our established committees. For now, I am not appointing new committees. Chelo and Jonathan have done a good job with legislation so I would like them to continue unless they are not available. That committee is essential to our relationship with the legislature, and we need to keep it going. All other Council business will happen at general meetings after first being vetted by the Executive committee. This will allow us to discuss all items at open public meetings. Once we receive new appointments to the Council, we will reconsider this process. There will still be many opportunities for Council members to continue to participate on ad hoc committees as the need arises or advisory committees such as. the Creative Corp which will keep moving forward, the Evaluation workgroup, and the soon to be established Creative Youth Development/ Arts in Education workgroup. Please let me know if you have an interest in participating in the Education work group or any other project that may be moving forward in the future.

Our meeting today will allow us to hear Equity Committee recommendations that align with Program Policy recommendations that will require our action. These recommendations are a follow-up from your work at our December meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Lilia Gonzáles Chávez, CAC Chairperson

TAB B

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Director's Report from Anne Bown-Crawford

January 5, 2022

I sincerely hope that everyone found joy and warmth, as well as rest and some sense of rejuvenation in this past month. For many of us this December was an opportunity to take time off, to gather our families around us, and to find the space to be grateful in the midst of the worry and strain of the shape-shifter this pandemic has become. Our sector, which had begun to breathe and open up again, is once again hit hard with closures and uncertainty. I am proud of this Agency, this Council, our leadership, to hold steady with its priorities to help support and nurture our arts and culture ecosystem across the state.

Staffing Updates

- I'd like to welcome our newest Arts Program Specialist Amy Garrett.
- Also, we just closed the application window for 2 new Program Specialists and will be interviewing soon.
- Kala Kowtha, our IT Specialist has received a promotion.
- We currently have a job opening, open until filled, for anSSM II to serve as our Programs Manager.
- We are increasing our staffing to enhance our ability to process grants and are currently interviewing for a Procurement Specialist.

Special Initiative Updates

Update on California Creative Corps Pilot Program Development

Please see the memo that follows this report.

Update on Creative Youth Development

We are in the process of hiring the limited term staff needed to open the 5 programs that will be supported by this funding over a 3 year time period. We expect to open these programs concurrently with the second grant cycle of this fiscal year.

FAQs campaign

I would like to repeat to the public that our FAQ page on the website is still the best way to find answers to most questions quickly.

The **FAQ** page is our <u>one-stop resource</u> to answer the most commonly asked questions throughout the grant season – **now with regularly scheduled new updates**. We have posted answers to some of the most frequently asked questions about our current grant offerings on these <u>FAQ pages</u>. Post-application questions have been newly added. This resource will be updated throughout the grant season. We encourage current awardees, and applicants to future grant opportunities, to check back for future updates. If anyone has questions about a grant offering after reviewing the grant guidelines and please check these pages.

<u>Calendar for 2022 Council meetings</u> is as follows, this is tentative and might be subject to change:

- 1.5.22 Today's meeting votes necessary to open Grant Cycle "A" January 19th
- 3.3.22 Guideline approvals Grant Cycle "B"
- **5.12.22** Funding allocation approval Grant Cycle "B"
- **7.28.22** 2023 grant slate approval
- 8.18.22 Evaluation Report
- 9.15.22 2023 Projected Allocations approval
- **12.8.22** Elections

California Poet Laureate nomination window open now

The nomination details are as follows:

Call for Nominations: CA Poet Laureate

Deadline: Friday, January 28, 2022

The California Arts Council is designated to recommend individuals to the Governor of California for the position of <u>California Poet Laureate</u>. The California Poet Laureate shall be appointed by the Governor. This appointment requires Senate confirmation.

Selection criteria and nomination requirements are listed below.

Duties of the Poet Laureate

The role of the California Poet Laureate is to spread the art of poetry and encourage literacy and learning in California.

The California Poet Laureate must:

- Provide a minimum of six public readings in urban and rural settings across California for the purpose of educating community, business, and state leaders about the value and importance of poetry and creative expression; and
- Undertake a significant cultural project that extends through a two-year term. One of the goals of this project must be to bring the poetic arts to students who might otherwise have little opportunity to be exposed to poetry.

The California Poet Laureate may, and is encouraged to:

- Coordinate their project with any similar project being undertaken by the current United States Poet Laureate, and any other reasonable activities as agreed to mutually by the California Poet Laureate and the California Arts Council.
- Coordinate their specific project with any similar project being undertaken by the California Youth Poet Laureate.

Review Criteria for Poet Laureate Selection

The poet should be:

- recognized for excellence of their work;
- known for a significant body of published work;
- widely considered to be a poet of stature; and
- willing to undertake a specific project during their term.

How to Nominate

Nominations must be submitted via email to poetlaureate@arts.ca.gov.

Nominations must contain the following:

- A cover letter from the nominating organization or individual describing the qualifications of the nominating organization or individual.
- The name and biography of the poet to be nominated (300 words maximum). Note: A competitive biography would include a summary of significant awards and published literary works.
- A link to a complete vita and/or website if available.
- A summary of no more than a half-page indicating why the nominating organization or individual considers the poet's work to be of the highest quality and representative of the State of California.
- Complete contact information for the nominated poet, including the following:
 - Name
 - Address
 - o Email
 - Website, if available
 - o Phone
 - Mobile phone
- Confirmation from the nominating organization or individual that the poet has reviewed the job description in the California Government Code (<u>Title</u> <u>2, Div. 1, Chapter 9.5</u>) and agrees to the nomination.
- Three (3) poems by the nominated poet typed on 8 ½" x 11" papers, single-sided.
- A complete list and copies (if available) of all published literary works.

Eligibility

- Nominations shall be limited to current residents of California.
- Nominees must have lived in California for at least 10 years.
- Nominations may come from people in the field of literature (poets may also self-nominate).

Deadline

Nominations must be submitted via email to the California Arts Council by

5 p.m. on January 28, 2022. If you have questions, please email poetlaureate@arts.ca.gov.

TAB C

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MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

December 7, 2021

The members of the California Arts Council convened via web conference to discuss and vote on various items as listed in the minutes below. The full audio and video of the meeting can be accessed here.

PRESENT:

Council Members

Lilia Gonzáles-Chávez, Chair Kathleen Gallegos, Vice Chair Vicki Estrada Jodie Evans Stanlee Gatti Donn Harris Alex Israel Jonathan Moscone Consuelo Montoya

Arts Council Staff

Anne Bown-Crawford, Executive Director Ayanna L. Kiburi, Deputy Director Kristin Margolis, Director of Legislative Affairs Kimberly Brown, Public Affairs Specialist Yaquelin Ruiz, Arts Program Analyst

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1	CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL	1	MS. MARGOLIS: Jonathan Moscone?	
2	REMOTE PUBLIC MEETING	2	MR. MOSCONE: Here.	
3	HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ON	3	MS. MARGOLIS: Alex Israel?	
4	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021	4	(No audible response.)	
5	10:02 A.M.	5	MS. MARGOLIS: Consuelo Montoya?	
6		6	MS. MONTOYA: Here.	
7	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: My name is Lilia	7	MS. MARGOLIS: We have a quorum.	
	Gonzales-Chavez, and I am the Chair of the Arts Council.	8	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you.	
	We appreciate our Councilmembers who have made	9	And now for my report. I did submit a written	
	themselves available for today's meeting and welcome the	10	report, but I will briefly go over what I provided to	
	members of the public who are observing this meeting	11	share with you.	
	online or by phone.	12	First of all, I want to wish everyone a happy	
13	Just a few housekeeping items. The meeting	13	holiday season. We all have different holidays that we	
	agenda is available on our website under the About		value and treasure during this time. So whether you're	
	section. We will be utilizing the Shared Screen feature	ı	getting ready for Las Mananitas for La Virgen de	
	for public comment guidance.	16	Guadalupe or Hanukkah or Kwanzaa, just to name a few	,
17	Joining us are two American Sign Language interpreters, Excel Interpreting, who will be taking	17	, , , , ,	
			have an opportunity to spend time with loved ones doing	
	turns to translate throughout the meeting. We thank them for being with us today and ask that you please be		the things that you care about.	
l	cognizant of having one speaker at a time to allow for a	20	This year the Council has had several firsts.	
	smooth transition.	21		st
23	And now, I pass this on to Anne.	ı	experience for us. We didn't have the attendance that	
24	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Good morning, everybody.		we would have liked to have had. But in the future, we	
	We'd like to carry forward as the California Arts		hope that will grow and we'll have more participatory	
	,	23	committee meetings.	
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1	Council a practice of recognizing the original	1	We also expanded our fellowship program, and	
2	caretakers of these sacred lands within and throughout	2	you'll be seeing some of that late with a later note.	
3	the State of California and the United States. We	3	But this was an opportunity to increase support to	
4	acknowledge their stewardship of these lands and uplift	4	individual artists.	
5	their legacies as they continue to build and sustain	5	We are awarding a total of 24,490,261 in	
6	their culture and practices today and for seven	6	awards. This is significant in that, during this	
7	generations.	ı	difficult time of COVID and the burden of its continued	
8	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kristin, could you	ı	need to be careful and close our facilities, we	
	please do a roll call to determine that we have a		recognize that our field is still looking for support	
	quorum?	ı	from the California Arts Council, and we successfully	
11	MS. MARGOLIS: Absolutely. Thank you, Lilia.	ı	have been able to do provide that.	
12	Estrada?	12	I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to	
13	MS. ESTRADA: Here.		Donn Harris and Kathy Gallegos for their hard work and	
14	MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?	ı	commitment to the California Arts Council during their	_
15	MS. EVANS: Here.	ı	tenure as Councilmembers. These two individuals will be	Э
16	MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?	ı	sorely missed because of the significant impact they	
17	(No audible response.)	ı	have made in the way grants are awarded and the way the	ie
18	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kathy?	ı	CAC responds to the needs of the field. I wish them the	
19	MS. MARGOLIS: Kathy? MS. GALLEGOS: Sorry, Here		very best as they move forward in their in this next	
20 21	MS. GALLEGOS: Sorry. Here. MS. MARGOLIS: It's okay	I	chapter of their life. We're not going to be the same	
22	MS. MARGOLIS: It's okay. Gatti?	21	Council without them. And I personally am going to just miss you both terribly. But I I know they will	
23	MR. GATTI: Here.	ı		
24	MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?	24	Today's agenda takes us closer to the next	
25	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Here.	ı	cycle of grant funding. Moving forward, we need some	
23	WIO. OCIVERLEO-CHAVEE. HOLE.	23	cycle of grant funding. Intoving forward, we freed some	

1 review as the Allocations Committee has some adjustments

- 2 to make to -- and also will be making some tweaks to
- 3 some of the Program Committee's recommendations. We'll
- 4 be seeing, as I mentioned, a second funding for
- 5 fellowship grants. But overall, we are setting the
- 6 foundation for the next cycle of grant-making. So we're
- 7 moving in a positive direction. And as a Council, we're
- 8 excited to continue to provide the support that the
- field so greatly needs at this time.
- 10 The 2022 -- 2022 is on the horizon with our
- 11 first meeting of the year to be scheduled January 5th or
- 6th and the nomination and election of our Executive
- Committee. Much work to do, colleagues, so let's move
- 14
- 15 The next item, Anne, your report.
- 16 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Thank you.
- 17 So this month has been filled with all issues
- 18 around moving and moving almost 1,200 grants -- grant
- award contracts through our systems as well as a
- completion of grant guidelines for the next round of 20
- 21 grant funding. The contract processes and the guideline
- development processes are complex and involve the
- 23 majority of our staff. And of course, guideline
- 24 development included the Council Committee feedback and
- 25 approval, so moving through steps, moving through hoops,

- Development, and that'll be when we open the five
- programs that will be supported by this program over a
- three-year period of time. We tentatively expect to
- open these programs concurrently with a second grant
- cycle of this new year.

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- In an effort to be as responsive as we can to
- the field, we're putting mechanisms in place to get
- folks answers sooner. Our Frequently Asked Question
- page on our website does that right now. And we also
- expect to have the capability to run forums through our
- website in the new year. Right now, the Frequently
- Asked Questions page is our one-stop resource to answer
- the most commonly asked questions throughout the grant
- season. We have regularly scheduled updates, weekly
- updates, on that page. We posted answers to some of the
- most frequently asked questions about our current grant
- 17 offerings on this page, and there's a way for people to
- ask questions that are -- they can't find answers for.
- And then those will come in during that week. Post-
- 20 application questions have also been recently added.
- 21 We encourage current grantees and applicants to future grant opportunities to check back for future
- 23 updates. If anyone has questions about a grant offering
- 24 after reviewing, check the pages and look at the
- mechanism where you can pose your question.

1 as it were, in a very mindful manner.

- 2 Concurrently, our staff here at the agency is
- 3 working with the consultant we've brought in to help us
- 4 design ways of working that will support us as we
- 5 nourish our CAC culture in this world of hybrid work --
- 6 working from home, working in the office -- as we move
- 7 out of the pandemic and physically moving out of our
- 8 current offices into some new offices in a pretty short
- amount of time right now. Six months ago, it seemed 10 like it was not going to get here fast enough. And now
- 11 it's practically here, and we're kind of like, oh, okay.
- 12 We're excited to announce that our -- our own
- 13 Carla has been selected to fill one of two existing
- vacancies in the Operations Unit. Carla is a new -- is
- the agency's new Procurement Administrator. Carla began
- performing her new duties on Monday of this week. We're 16
- bringing one more staff member on board, and we'll keep
- -- right now; it's almost completed -- and we'll keep
- 19 the Council updated as their hiring is finalized.
- 20 There is -- at the end of my report, I'll --
- I'll give a brief update for the California Creative
- 22 Corps Pilot Program. It's completed -- it's included in
- 23 this memo.
- 24 We are in the process for -- of hiring the
- 25 limited-term staff that we need for Creative Youth

This is a vital source of information and is

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- 3 (Cross talk.)
- 4 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: -- dropping a message on
- an answering machine. So I encourage everyone here at
- this meeting to kind of spread that through your
- networks that this resource exists. And there are hot
- links in -- in my report that you can -- you can hit,
- and you can just share the hot link.
- 10 As I stated before, it's still the same
- Virtual Brown -- Brown Act Meetings Extension goes to
- the end of January. We've all expressed the -- the want
- -- the need to meet in person, and we hope to put that
- in place as soon as possible. Here's to hoping that,
- after our January meeting, we can meet for the next
- 16 meeting in person.
- 17 The calendar for the 2022 Councilmembers will
- be -- meetings will be distributed in January, in our 18
- January meeting. And we're working with staff and our
- 20 Council leadership to look at our grant cycles for the
- next year, put those meetings on a calendar, get it out
- to Council so you can consider it and give us feedback

so that we can just go ahead and set for the whole year.

- 24 Annual report -- it'll be released soon.
- 25 And that's all I've got for my report. Are

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1 there any questions about any of that?
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- 2 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I just have one, Anne.
- 3 And that is: In your report related to Creative Corps,
- 4 you identified a timeline. I'm assuming that there will
- 5 be some adjustments in that timeline now because we are
- 6 actually moving up against some of those things that
- 7 were outlined. So will we be seeing a new timeline in
- 8 our -- at our next meeting?
- 9 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Well, it -- it's
- 10 iterative. One thing that we're -- we're trying to
- 11 avoid is -- is moving the -- the timeline for getting --
- 12 for having the work started out in the field. So if we
- 13 do make any adjustments, it'll be before that. And some
- 14 of the -- that's -- that's, you know, mainly internal.
- 15 But we'll be able to stick pretty close to this timeline
- 16 here. It has already changed from the last memo that I
- 17 put out, which is why I did this, yeah.
- 18 We -- we're always cognizant of -- of
- 19 colliding deadlines, like you said, and collide -- work
- 20 colliding in -- on the shoulders of the staff. So
- 21 there's a little wiggle room built into it.
- 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
- 23 MS. MARGOLIS: You know, the -- I am not going
- 24 to read the -- my update verbatim. That would be
- 25 boring. But we have -- we have done an initial

- 1 expect in January to start the community panel regional
- 2 meetings. And this is -- we'll have a process to
- 3 contact Council. Ask -- the reason I'm being -- I've
- 4 been very specific about these dates -- they may change.
- 5 I don't think that they will, though. If any
- 6 Councilmember would like to come to one of these and
- 7 actually help facilitate, it would be wonderful. And it
- 8 -- so the -- a very valuable touchpoint for us in this
- 9 process was when Councilmembers recommended applicants
- 10 to apply and now actually be able to be part of the
- 11 regional and the statewide meetings.
- 12 The -- the guidelines, draft guidelines, will
- 13 go back and forth between staff and the statewide group
- 14 and get presented to -- released to the field January
- 15 15th. And some pretty heavy-duty marketing for the
- 16 opportunity follows that through February.
- 17 We expect to adjudicate in March, announce the
- 18 administering organizations in April, and start the
- 19 grant period activity. And then you can see at the
- 20 bottom that we are also planning a convening of Creative
- 21 Corps artists and community panels -- community
- 22 panelists. This is -- well, I can't publicly announce
- 23 it, but we expect it to be generously funded by, you
- 24 know, another foundation. So we're -- we're very
- 25 excited about that.

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1 selection of the -- the panelists at this point. They

- 2 were selected at random for each of the eight regions.
- 3 And all the parameters are -- they're outlined again
- 4 here in my report. And they're -- we are using the
- 5 eight regions of the Otis report used and looking
- 6 carefully at ZIP codes and looking at the communities
- $7\,\,$ that we are tasked to serve that are within the 0 to 25 $\,$
- 8 -- 25th percent -- Score Percentile in the California
- 9 Healthy Places Index. And in order to have gone into
- 10 the pool to be randomly after meeting those criteria,
- 11 there were four criteria -- and I've listed them in the
- 12 memo -- than an applicant needed to meet three out of
- 13 the four. And then they could make their way into the 14 pool.
- 15 And had a really robust, exciting response to
- 16 the survey. We're all -- all of us on staff that are in
- 17 this workgroup that are looking at -- at this process
- 18 are -- are really pleased. I think that -- that we're
- 19 -- we're very firmly on track to be doing region -- not
- 20 only regionally appropriate work for this funding, but
- 21 also having the voices that are -- are maybe not the
- 22 usual suspects, but the voices of people that we expect
- 23 to serve actually in the mix of helping us design the
- 24 guidelines.

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There's a timeline here that you can see. We

1 I put down the qualitative and the

- 2 quantitative outcomes that we'll be using in our
- 3 evaluation. I think it's -- that helps define what this
- 4 grant program is all about, looking at this. This is an
- 5 iterative model. When we do it again, as I am very
- 6 hopeful we'll get funded to do, then it'll be an even
- 7 more robust program.
- 8 Anyone have any questions?
- 9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Any other questions of
- 10 Anne?
- 11 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Oh, and I forgot to
- 12 mention I'm really excited because we have a Council
- 13 Committee for Creative Corps and which Chelo and Vicki
- 14 are on. And we need to set up the next meeting and --
- 15 and work together. We've had one meeting so far. And
- 16 it's -- it -- for me, it's really rewarding to have
- 17 Council in the mix on that level.
- 18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Great. If there are no
- 19 other questions, let's move on to item 7, which is
- 20 public comment.
- 21 The California Arts Council is committed to
- 22 creating a culture of trust and transparency with
- 23 members of California's culture community. We have24 created public comment policy as a tool to establish
- 25 community agreements to support the safety of all

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1	community participants. Spoken or written public	 1	MS. EVANS: I I second Vicki's motion.	
	comment is intended to address the work of the	2	MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you, Jodie.	
3	California Arts	3	I'm going to do the roll call, Lilia, if	
4	MS. ESTRADA: Lilia, Lilia, Lilia. I think	ı	that's okay with you.	
5	Kristin's going to say that we forgot item 6.	5	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.	
6	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.	6	MS. MARGOLIS: Okay. Estrada?	
7	MS. MARGOLIS: Hi, Lilia. Can we do the	7	MS. ESTRADA: Yes.	
8	approval of the minutes?	8	MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?	
9	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ah, I am so sorry.	9	MS. EVANS: Yes.	
10	MS. MARGOLIS: No worries. No worries.	10	MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?	
11	Thank you, Vicki.	11	MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.	
12	MS. ESTRADA: Okay. I will move approval of	12	MS. MARGOLIS: Gatti?	
13	the minutes.	13	MR. GATTI: Yes.	
14	But I have a question and a comment. There's	14	MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?	
15	55 pages of minutes. I mean, it's hard to argue with	15	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.	
16	word for word what people said. I mean, is that the way	16	MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone?	
17	we always do it, that we just go word for word? I mean,	17	MR. MOSCONE: Yes.	
18	it it seems it's just a lot to go through. I mean,	18	MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?	
19	and and we just didn't have time to summarize what	19	(No audible response.)	
20	happened; is that is that it, Anne?	20	MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya?	
21	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: That that's it. We	21	MS. MONTOYA: Yes.	
	we have a transcription service.	22	MS. MARGOLIS: The motion passes.	
23	MS. ESTRADA: Well, they did good.	23	Thank you, Lilia.	
24	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: They did good. It I	24	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Thank you.	
25	I was surprised myself. But it is word for word.	25	And thank you, Vicki, for bringing us back to	
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			that Deading those pleading pages of minutes was a	
	It's so it's it's not put through anybody's lens when they're when they're summarizing it.		that. Reading those pleading pages of minutes was a little overwhelming. But but we got through it.	
3	I it was fun to see Kathy's reaction when	3	Okay. Spoken and written public comment is	
	she first saw it because she she used to do this type	ı	intended to address the work of the California Arts	
5	of transcription service and and and fully	ı	Council body or agency only. That's worth repeating.	
6	appreciated it. So	6	Community members should not directly respond to their	
7	MS. ESTRADA: Yeah. I I get that. But my	ı	fellow commenters. Doing so may result in intervention	
8	only question is: Not everybody has time to read 55	8	and redirection by the Council Chair. We will not	
9	pages. It it's not possible to summarize in two or	9	accept graphic or obscene comments or submissions, no	
10	three pages what happened? Or is it that's the way	10	do we accept comments that are abusive, hateful on the	
11	we used to do it; isn't it?	11	basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual	
12	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: That is. That is the way	12	orientation, gender, gender identity, religious	
13	we used to do it. We're hoping to get back to that	13	affiliation, age, or disability, or intended to defame	
14	point.	14	or discriminate against anyone or any organization.	
15	MS. ESTRADA: Okay.	15	Kristin?	
16	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: We're we have still	16	MS. MARGOLIS: Lilia.	
17	not a staff member in place. We lost a staff member	17	We're grateful for everyone for coming	
18	that did that all the time.	18	together today. I'm going to take a moment now to	
19	MS. ESTRADA: Okay.	19	explain the process for public comment. We have two	
20	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: So we're we're getting	20	opportunities during today's meeting for public to offer	
21	-	21	their input, one now and one later on in the meeting.	
22	MS. ESTRADA: All right.	22	We encourage your comments to be relevant to the	
23	MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: getting back there.	23	discussion at hand, as Lilia mentioned, although	
24	Point taken. It's a very clear point. Thank you.	24	comments may be on topics within the Council's purview.	

25 Comments are not responded to by Councilmembers.

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MS. ESTRADA: Okay.

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1 If you wish to speak, and you are joining us

2 today via Zoom on your computer or mobile device, you3 can show your intent to comment by selecting the Raise

4 Hand option in the Zoom toolbar at the bottom of your

5 screen now. If you are joining us by calling in and you

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6 wish to comment, pressing star 9 now on your phone's

7 keypad will indicate your hand is raised. Each

8 individual who wishes to speak may be added to the queue

9 in the order that each hand is raised.

10 If you are unable or do not wish to speak

11 during public comment, you may submit a written comment

12 through the form available on our website until 10:00

13 a.m. tomorrow morning.

14 Each speaker will be given two minutes to

15 comment. When it is your turn, I will call you by your

16 name at is -- as it is listed or by the last four digits

17 of your phone number. Web and app users will then

18 receive a prompt to take themselves off of mute and

9 begin speaking. The timer will start once you begin

20 talking.

21 Please pay attention to your remaining time on

2 the screen. If you have a visual impairment that may

23 prevent you from clearly viewing the screen, we ask that

24 you self-identify, and I can then verbally notify you

25 when you have 20 seconds left.

1 and sometimes I'm the bookkeeper, HR manager, community2 developer.

3 But we received two grant awards, and both of

4 them were revoked because I, myself, did not have the

5 capacity to respond by the deadline.

6 I reached out to the two different program

7 officers as soon as I heard about the revocation and

8 asked to have a communication about it. And my purpose

9 was really to speak to them. After a couple of weeks, I

10 did hear back only from one person after having several

11 communications, but that program officer said that I

12 could not appeal and the decision was final.

13 So I just wasn't sure what that process was,

14 and there should be transparency. And there is more to

15 the story because it does concern some health around the

16 whole COVID and my health being compromised at a certain

17 time, which I didn't want to share with the program

18 officer at that time.

19 And I just hope that, going forward, that the

20 Council kinds of -- I don't know -- make things more

21 transparent and just connect with people.

22 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you, Sheri.

Next in the queue, Alexandria.

24 Alexandria, can you unmute yourself?

25 MS. URBANOWSKI: Thank you.

1 After a reasonable amount of time, if an

2 individual does not respond to their call to comment, we

3 will move on. Should you miss your call to speak or be

4 kicked out of Zoom with connectivity or technical

5 issues, you may rejoin the queue and will be given a new6 position in line. Each person may provide comments only

7 one time during a public comment period.

Thank you again for your participation.

9 Okay. First up in the queue, Sheri Young.

10 Sheri, can you hear us?

11 MS. YOUNG: Yes, I can. Thank you.

12 MS. MARGOLIS: Absolutely.

MS. YOUNG: First of all, I would like to

14 thank you guys so much for supporting the arts at a time

15 when there is so much uncertainty and difficulty. And I

16 know how difficult it is to operate even in this post-

17 COVID world.

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So as you may now, many arts organizations who

19 are producing are still having a difficult time during

20 this transitional period. I, myself, told my board that

21 this is not the year to expect any kind of revenue, even

22 though we are in productions.

23 My purpose here today is really to ask for

24 grace and forgiveness. I am the Founder and Executive

25 Director of the African-American Shakespeare Company,

1 My name is Alexandria Urbanowski. I'm with SV

2 Creates, which is your state and local partner for Santa

3 Clara County. I'm here today representing the statewide

4 SLP coalition.

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5 We continue to value our partnership with the

6 CAC and would like to express our sincere gratitude for

the increased funding amounts and the removal of the

8 matching funds for our smaller organizations. These

9 changes will greatly improve our ability to do our work.

10 The proposed guidelines state that the SLPs

11 will each nominate 10 artists for the Individual Artist

12 Fellowship Program. While we applaud the effort to

13 increase the breadth of the pool of applicants, the SLP

14 coalition has a range of questions and concerns which

15 include, but are not limited to, the following: First

16 SLPs vary in size and the demographics of artists and

17 communities. For example, some of the larger SLPs may

18 require a competitive process to select just 10

19 nominees, while more rural SLPs will need to conduct

20 significant outreach and guide first-time applicants

21 through the process.

22 There are also a number of questions about

3 metrics, process, and expectations, and whether grants

24 will be distributed to artists in all 58 counties.

25 Also, there are concerns about the way in

1 which SLPs are funded for this work. Historically, SLP

- 2 grant applications have been ranked with some receiving
- 3 less operating funding than others. Our suggestion is
- 4 that the Artist Fellowship Program be treated similar to
- 5 Poetry Out Loud, flat additional program amount added to
- 6 the base operating grant.

7 To create a more simple process in which SLPs

- 8 can participate in this next grant cycle, we propose
- 9 that SLPs work as partners by submitting a list of
- 10 artists in their county. This could be an informative
- 11 and comprehensive list, yet not limited to 10 nominated
- 12 artists.
- We respectfully request that the CAC engage in
- 14 a dialogue with the SLP coalition to address these
- 15 questions and further define this element of the
- 16 partnership before the SLP grant application is opened.
- 17 Thank you.
- 18 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you.
- 19 Next in the queue, Tomas Benitez.
- 20 MR. BENITEZ: Thank you.
- 21 Good morning, all. I want to, first and
- 22 foremost, wish you a happy holiday greeting and hope
- 23 that you have a lovely time celebrating with your
- 24 friends and family.
- 25 Second, I am really calling today to thank you

- 1 on behalf of the Latino Art Network and the nearly 250
- 2 members of organizations and artists, thank you, Kathy,
- 3 for being there and for being the light. And I'll be
- 4 seeing you at the gallery in a different profile. But
- 5 our appreciation will go unfettered. Thank you.
- 6 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you, Tomas.
- 7 Next in the queue, California Lawyers for the
- 8 Arts.
- 9 MS. MOSES: Hi. Thank you.
- 10 Can you hear me there? Hi.
- 11 MS. MARGOLIS: Yes.
- 12 MS. MOSES: Toyin Moses, with California
- 13 Lawyers for the Arts.
- 14 We want to thank you for your general
- 15 operating support for the SRN Program.
- 16 In 2020, we responded to Governor Gavin
- 17 Newsom's stated intention to release 8,000 persons from
- 18 state prison due to COVID-19 by soliciting
- 19 recommendations from arts and corrections providers
- 20 within our network. We gathered a list of 525 names of
- 21 individuals recommended for expedited release by 21 arts
- 22 organizations based on their experience working with
- 23 them inside.
- 24 At that time, we also began to conceive of a
- 25 job development program that would help the returning

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- 1 all for the work that you've done this year. It has
- 2 been a transitional year for the State of California,
- 3 and certainly for the Arts Council as the -- as the
- 4 leader in -- in governing our -- our shift through these
- 5 turbulent COVID times. And your effort is appreciated.
- 6 Yes, I know. I've been, at times, a thorn in your side.
- $7\,\,$ But I remain a loyal ally, and I just want to reiterate
- 8 that.
- 9 The last thing I -- I -- I wanted to say, and
- 10 ever so briefly, but -- but with great sincerity, is
- 11 that I appreciate the leadership that Don Young has
- 12 shown us over his term as the Councilmember.
- 13 And I also want to underscore my -- my -- my
- 14 love and appreciate for my dear friend Kathy Gallegos
- 15 and her leadership that she has done. I appreciate her
- 16 vision. She's been in a tenuous position. And as, you
- 17 know, Chairman of the Board of Latino Arts Network, I'm
- 18 also in that position at times of balancing -- being an
- 19 advocate for the Latino arts and culture as well as
- 20 serving the statewide and inclusive arts field. Kathy's
- 21 done a very good job of doing that, always advocating on
- 22 behalf of -- of the greater good, but never forgetting
- 23 or forsaking that Latino arts organizations are -- are
- 24 part of the process.
- 25 So in conclusion, I just want to say that we,

- 1 artists use their skills to secure meaningful work
 - 2 experience outside.
 - 3 Using the arts as the vehicle for workforce
 - 4 and community development, CLA is launching Designing
 - 5 Creative Futures, a job training program for returning
 - 6 residents who have engaged with the arts while
 - 7 incarcerated and wish to pursue further training and
 - 8 careers in the creative economy.
 - 9 We aim to capitalize on the transformative
 - 10 power of the arts and provide a pathway to permanent
 - 11 employment for returning residents through paid
 - 12 internships with arts organizations, coupled with
 - 13 support, mentorship, job readiness and soft skills
 - 14 training, and communication and conflict resolution
 - 15 skills, as well as education and career counseling.
 - 16 Designing Creative Futures promotes a full
 - 17 circle evolution for returning residents, from studying
 - 18 art while incarcerated, which opened up a world of
 - 19 expression and created a path to rehabilitation and
 - 20 release, to the development of a wide range of potential
 - 21 careers in the arts, not only as professional artists,
 - 22 but in related fields of arts administration,
 - 23 construction, technology, and more.
 - 24 With support of the NEA, the Art for Justice
 - 25 Fund, the San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture, we

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1 will launch the program in San Diego and Los Angeles in

- 2 2022 and are eager to replicate and expand the program
- 3 statewide.
- 4 We respectfully request that the CAC support
- 5 this program statewide expansion as part of California
- 6 Creative Corps. Thank you so much.
- 7 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you.
- 8 Next in the queue, David Mac.
- 9 MR. MAC: Hello. Thank you.
- 10 I'm David Mac. I am now Executive Director of
- 11 Joe Goode Performance Group. My pronouns are he/him,
- 12 and I am coming to you from a Ohlone Ramaytush land in
- 13 San Francisco Bay Area.
- 14 I'm calling, first, with regard to the
- 15 guidelines that you are considering. If I'm reading
- 16 them correctly, it looks like the general operating
- 17 relief guidelines are restricted to organizations that
- 18 are 250,000 annual operating budget and less. I'm not
- 19 sure if you're planning on providing support for
- 20 organizations larger in -- in the later round. But I
- 21 wanted to advocate for increasing support for
- 22 organizations that are mid-size that have general
- 23 operating budgets annually of larger than 250,000.
- 24 There are many BIPOC-led and BIPOC-serving organizations
- 25 that are mid-size that are in need of general operating

- 1 whether there is any association or any way I could get
 - 2 involved with you and find out what -- what's available
 - 3 or participate and help. And that's really the bulk of
 - 4 my question right now.
 - 5 Thank you.
 - 6 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you, Les.
 - 7 MR. MAYERS: Yes.
 - 8 MS. MARGOLIS: So at this point, again, I
 - 9 don't see any additional hands raised. We certainly
 - 10 welcome you to come back to the meeting. Our second
 - 11 part of public comment will be at 2:10 today.
 - 12 Thank you so much.
 - 13 Lilia, back to you.
 - 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you, Kristin. And
 - 15 thank you to --
 - 16 MS. ESTRADA: Lilia -- Lilia, can I ask a
 - 17 question, like, on that --
 - 18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
 - 19 MS. ESTRADA: -- last speaker who asked a
 - 20 specific question. Will we get back to him with how he
 - 21 can get involved?
 - 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Actually, that would be
 - 23 an issue for staff to get back to him --
 - 24 MS. ESTRADA: Okay. That's what I meant.
 - 25 Okay.

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- 1 support. And that support would provide a very strong
- 2 impact to the field for marginalized communities. So I
- 3 want to advocate and hope that you are able to increase
- 4 that threshold.
- 5 And then finally, I wanted to give a shoutout
- 6 and a huge congratulations and thanks to Kathy. Your
- 7 tenure as a Councilmember has been so impactful for so
- $8\,\,$ many of us emerging BIPOC artists in the community. So
- 9 thank you so much for your service. You will be very
- 10 missed. And I can't wait to see what you do next.
- 11 Thanks. Take care.
- 12 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you, David.
- 13 At this point, I don't see any additional
- 14 hands up in the queue. Just give it one minute here.
- 15 Let's see. Ah, one more.
- 16 Les Mayers?
- 17 MR. MAYERS: Yes.
- 18 MS. MARGOLIS: Les? Is it Les? Okay. Hi,
- 19 Les. I suddenly became French. I don't know what that
- 20 was. Sorry. Okay.
- 21 MR. MAYERS: So I'm relatively new, a
- 22 participant with this group. And I'm involved as a
- 23 contemporary artist in trying to help some charitable
- 24 events that are going on. I'm working with a group
- 25 that's working with the homeless. And I'm wondering

- 1 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- as to how he could
 - get involved. But we don't discuss those items.
 - 3 MS. ESTRADA: I understand. I just wanted to
 - 4 make sure that that would happen. Yes.
 - 5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. All right. The
 - 6 next item is discussion and voting item. And this is
 - 7 related to the state-local partner, Poetry Out Loud,
 - 8 funding.
 - 9 Kathy?
 - 10 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you, Lilia.
 - 11 It turns out that I cannot find the memo that
 - 12 we -- we worked on. So just a general reminder, we --
 - 13 we failed to include POL in our discussions at our last
 - 14 allocations, so we need to go back and allocate those
 - 15 funds. I'm at this point going to hand it over to
 - 16 Ayanna, who can maybe explain a little bit more.
 - 17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna, you're on.
 - 18 MS. KIBURI: Yeah. Thank you. I'm sorry. I
 - 19 couldn't find my unmute button fast enough.
 - 20 I'm sorry you don't have the memo. And you
 - 21 did text me a moment ago, and I was looking for it for
 - 22 you, Kathy.
 - 23 Essentially, the -- the -- at the last Council
 - 24 meeting, the Council -- the Equity Committee want --
 - 25 Allocations Committee would have wanted to add the

California Arts Council Meeting December 7, 2021 NDT Assgn # 53823 Page 9 30 32 1 allocation for the Poetry Out Loud funding to the SLP 1 affect all or multiple programs and those that are 2 allocation, but it wasn't included in the spreadsheet. program-specific. 3 So we have been working with the Bagley-Keene attorneys So let's start with general. Prioritization 4 to make sure that we move appropriately forward to open of funding for small organizations. In 2021, in the 5 this up as an opportunity for funding to add that money. General Operating Relief and Impact Partners programs 6 So essentially, since the Allocations combined, priority organizations with Total Operating 7 Committee wants to make sure that that's included, Revenues of under \$250,000 were funded at 74 percent 8 Lilia, you can commission the Equity Condominium to go success rate, while organizations with larger TORs were 9 back and bring -- Allocations Committee to go back and funded at only 17 percent success rate. A total of 10 bring an allocations table that includes the Poetry Out 1,064 applications were adjudicated in General Ops, with Loud funding, and you all can vote on that at the next 470 of those coming from larger organizations. A total 12 Council meeting. of 555 applications were adjudicated in Impact Projects, 13 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. The -- is there a with 223 of these coming from larger organizations. 14 vote required today for that action? Because it is 14 Given the data from 2021, the language of 15 listed as a voting item on our agenda. "prioritization" in the guidelines clearly did not deter 16 MS. KIBURI: It isn't a voting -- no, it larger organizations from applying. This had the impact shouldn't be a voting item today because of the of applicant, staff, and panelist labor on hundreds of 17 18 Allocations Committee needs to go back and bring new -applications that had only a small likelihood of being a new spreadsheet. funded. Restricting applications in one or more 19 20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Okay. So then programs would more clearly indicate to the field in 21 this is a point of information that the Allocations 21 which programs their applications would be competitive. Committee will go back and return with a revised Per the background and the purpose statements of these 23 23 allocation distribution that includes funding for Poetry two programs, the committee feels that it is most in 24 Out Loud. 24 line to restrict funding to small organization in the 25 MS. KIBURI: And that -- yes. And that will General Ops category. 31 33 1 also mean that, when you are considering the SLP Our recommendation is that restriction. 2 2 guidelines today in your discussion, the SLP guidelines, Do we want to open it up for discussion? 3 for sure, will need to be held out for a vote until the 3 MS. KIBURI: You -- you want to finish the 4 January meeting so that you can consider the additional memo? As long as you are completed with the memo. 5 MS. EVANS: I -- I didn't know if we wanted to 5 money allocation. 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. All right. So 6 do one or two together. Okay. 7 then -- then moving forward, we will just wait for a new So then on the program-specific allocations distribution to include Poetry -- funding recommendations, state and local partners, while the for Poetry Out Loud. Okay. pilot year of the Individual Artist Fellowship process 10 Any other discussion question from the was successful in many ways, there are opportunities for 11 Council? growth in this program specifically around the 12 (No audible response.) aspirational area regarding geographic equity in the MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: No? Hearing none, we'll Strategic Framework. The committee feels that partner 13 move on to item D. And Jodie will be making that with -- more directly with state and local partners in presentation. This is the Program Committee -- Program this area might have the benefit of ensuring equal

Policy Committee recommendations for approval of the 2022 grant guidelines. And as was just stated, we will be waiving approval of the SLP guidelines until January. 18 19 MS. EVANS: Great. 20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But we can still 21 discuss. 22 MS. EVANS: Thanks. Lilia. 23 So this -- this is for a vote. And our 24 recommendations are, first, the committee differentiated 25 its recommendations for program revision by those that

access to the program for artists in all counties, as 17 well as providing more robust, localized support for artist applicants. 18 19 So our recommendation is that SLPs will 20 collaborate with the California Arts Council on implementing its Individual Artists Fellowship program by nominating 10 artists from their counties to be considered for those awards. The state and local partners will also support those artists in preparing and submitting their applications to the California Arts

California Arts Council Meeting December 7, 2021 34 1 Council for adjudication. 1 Kathy Gallegos. 2 MS. ESTRADA: So can I ask a question, or do I 2 3 have to have my hand up, Lilia? 3 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: You can ask a question. 4 4 Sorry. 5 5 MS. ESTRADA: All right. 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But yes, you should 6 7 7 raise your hand. 8 MS. ESTRADA: Okay. Well --8 9 9 (Cross talk.) 10 MS. ESTRADA: I'm -- I'm looking at --11 (Cross talk.) 12 MS. ESTRADA: -- I -- I --13 MS. KIBURI: I'm sorry. Vicki --14 MR. MOSCONE: Hold on. Vicki, Ayanna has a 15 point to --16 MS. KIBURI: Well, we're going to have 17 discussion. But since it's a vote, you just shared the vote. You still need to have the second, and then you open it up for discussion, and then everybody can start

20 talking about it.

21 MS. ESTRADA: All right. Good point.

22 MR. MOSCONE: So -- so has it been -- do you

23 need a second? Is that what we need right now?

24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: You -- you need a

25 motion. We need --

And now discussion.

MS. ESTRADA: Let me put my hand up again.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Now Vicki.

MS. ESTRADA: Now my hand is officially up.

So on -- on -- on the first issue, how was the

\$250,000 limit arrived at, may I ask?

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: The \$250,000 limit was

arrived at in a prior cycle for -- for grants, and it

was determined that we were trying to prioritize small

organizations, small budget organizations, so that they

would have a greater opportunity to access grants

because sometimes, because they have small budgets, they

don't have very robust grant-writing teams, or they

don't have the capacity to compete with some of the

larger -- larger organizations who have more staff and

who can present a better proposal. So this was a way of

providing greater opportunity to small budget

20 organizations --

21 MS. ESTRADA: Okay. And Lilia --

22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- (indiscernible).

23 MS. ESTRADA: -- do we know how that affected

24 -- I think was it Alessandra said something about the

medium-size organizations. I mean, do we know how that

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MR. MOSCONE: I -- I have a motion for a vote. 1

2 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Then what is your

3 motion?

MR. MOSCONE: That we -- well, we -- we have a 4

5 discussion on the two key points brought up in the memo,

6 which have to do with the restriction of the 200 --

7 General Operating Relief to 2 -- organizations of

8 250,000 and below, and also to collaborate with SLPs on

9 -- on the implementation of the Individual Fellowship

10 grant portion of that program.

11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So is the motion to

12 approve the recommendations?

MR. MOSCONE: Sure. I'll make that motion. 13

14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.

15 MR. MOSCONE: I feel like I'm being -- I -- I

love this puppet string thing I'm going along with.

17 That sounds good.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: We -- we all feel that 18

19 way sometimes.

20 MR. MOSCONE: Thank you.

21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. We have a motion

22 on -- on the table to approve the recommendations. Is

23 there a second?

24 (No audible response.)

25 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: We have a second with 1 affected those organizations that were just above that

2 limit in the past?

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: We -- we did not, to my

knowledge. What we -- the -- the dollar amount was

arrived at somewhat arbitrarily in that there was

consideration that 250,000 identified a small-budget

7 organization. There was discussion at the time,

8 however, that we recognize that mid-size organizations

are also challenged with accessing general operating

support. And there was some interest in raising that --

that minimum. But the majority at that time determined

12 that the \$250,000 cap was where we should start.

13 And so we -- we do have indicators now that,

yes, we were successful in reaching more small-budget

15 organizations.

16 MS. ESTRADA: Okay.

17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That still begs the

question that mid-size organizations are somehow

floundering in the middle because they don't quite

20 compete with the large organizations --

21 MS. ESTRADA: Right.

22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- and, if they are

23 taken out of the equation, then they have no recourse.

24 MS. ESTRADA: Yeah. And that would be my

25 concern.

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A guestion I -- on the SLP, then I'll shut up
 2 for a while: What about those counties in the last
 3 paragraph here on the recommendation that do not have,
 4 you know, arts organizations or, you know, that -- will
 5 every county be able to -- to nominate 10 artists in the
 6 state?
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          MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I think the number 10,
 8 again, was a somewhat arbitrary number based on the
   number of fellowship applications that were being sought
10 overall. And I would have to defer to staff to see if,
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   in fact, that is accurate --
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          MS. ESTRADA: Okav.
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          MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- some other rationale
14 for that number.
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          MS. ESTRADA: Well, they -- the logic, of
16 course, is not all counties are created equal, right, in
17 terms of capacity and -- and population and so forth.
   So it does appear that that number 10, you know, was
   somewhat arbitrary just to be consistent. But is that a
20 fair -- a fair representation, if I can ask that?
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          MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: It may not be. And this
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-- what that -- that budget size should be. MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Do you want to propose a 3 number now or ... 4 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- I don't feel capable of 5 proposing that number. I'm a small arts organization. 6 So I really don't -- I really don't feel competent about proposing a number. But I'm sure someone else here 8 will. 9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. And next was 10 Chelo. 11 MS. MONTOYA: I think Jonathan was next. I 12 will --13 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Oh, okay. 14 MS. MONTOYA: -- (inaudible) --15 MR. MOSCONE: Chelo -- Chelo, go ahead. I 16 feel like you were responding to the -- the SLP POL 17 question. 18 MS. MONTOYA: Yeah. I -- I think it would be 19 useful to respond in different -- you know, just take the SLPs for now because I have other things to say 21 about the other thing. Sorry for speaking fast. 22 I also agree that we also need to find a way 23 to capture the -- the mid-size organizations to not 24 leave that gap open because they are also struggling.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Then Chelo. Oh, 2 and Jonathan.

3 Kathy?

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MS. GALLEGOS: My -- my -- my question is 4

22 is the time to suggest a change if, in fact, we want to

Kathy, did you have your hand up?

suggest a change. I saw Kathy's hand up.

(No audible response.)

5 along the line of Vicki's. When it comes to the \$250 --

6 \$250,000 small budget size -- and we made that decision,

7 I think, a few years ago to try to deal with the

8 problem. So we -- so now we're coming back, and we're

9 seeing what some of the issues are. We've heard from

10 the field on this last public comment that mid-size

11 organizations are -- are -- are in need of general

12 operating support, also.

13 So I would like to see some kind of a possibly 14 tiered. We can do some kind of tiered, that if we say

15 that 250 is small, that we focus on 250 -- 250,000, then

16 we also need to put money into mid-sized arts

17 organizations and -- and come up with what that budget

18 size is. I don't think -- if I am correct, we don't

19 require data -- data arts for Gen Ops; is that right?

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: No longer.

21 MS. GALLEGOS: No longer. Okay. So then it's

22 just strictly on the budget, on their budget, so their -

23 - their TORs.

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24 So I would like to recommend that we also fund 25 mid-size organizations and come up with a number of what 1 number of resources to that size and then make sure that

2 we prioritize as well the smaller organizations, so I

25 So if there is a way to tier it so that we do allocate a

3 would not have a specific recommendation, but I -- I

echo that need.

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5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Jon?

MR. MOSCONE: And as well just following

7 Chelo's lead about staying focused on one of these two,

I support what Kathy and Chelo just said as well.

9 I also, just -- just for -- it's just -- it's

10 almost arbitrary to refer to an organization as small if

it's 250 and, if it's mid-sized -- because it's fair to

actually talk about, you know, in different cities and

different parts of the -- that -- they -- they mean very

14 different things.

15 And I know in San Francisco -- and, you know,

I speak not to advocate for San Francisco, but that's my

research -- \$500,000 -- organizations or \$500,000 are --

significantly increase the -- the organizations that are

led by and represent communities of color in the city.

And so I -- I'm -- I fear that we might be playing

communities against each other based on a line that

22 we're drawing.

23 And so what I would -- you know, if -- if --

24 there are two recommendations here. Is -- one is about

25 setting a clear limit, right, which is to say, as

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1 opposed to prioritizing, it's restricted. That's the

- 2 one general thing. But its question is restricted up to
- 3 what? And I -- I -- I kind of -- I appreciate the rigor
- o what: 7 that I hand of happroduce the figor
- 4 of -- of restriction because it does -- it does make it
- 5 very clear where the -- where the Council is focusing,
- 6 and it does relieve a lot of organizations early on in
- 7 the process. So I support that, and I think we should
- 8 just -- we need -- we need some advice because it is not
- 9 -- it's easy for me to answer it around San Francisco,
- 10 but not around the state.

11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Vicki and then

- 12 Jodie.
- 13 Vicki, unmute, please.
- 14 MS. ESTRADA: Okay. I'm sorry. Yes.
- 15 I am -- I agree what everybody has said so
- 16 far. In terms of what -- can -- do we decide now what
- 17 that mid-size number is? I mean, are we talking half a
- 18 million? I mean, I -- but like -- like Jonathan said,
- 19 every county is different. Half a million in San
- 20 Francisco is totally different than half a million in --
- 21 in -- you know, in Pinole (phonetic) County, right?
- 22 So I -- I -- I'm having trouble with coming up
- 23 with one number where all counties are equal. And --
- 24 and -- and I'm not sure how we resolve that. But I -- I
- 25 definitely don't like the idea of just restricting it

- 1 But you know, what -- what happened to pay it forward
 - 2 and -- and getting an opportunity and then letting
 - 3 someone else get an opportunity?
 - 4 So creating real change is -- is real, and it
 - 5 -- it's going to be painful for some. But the -- you
 - 6 know, the thing to look at, also, is the amount of staff
 - 7 time, the amount of money, the amount of effort that
 - 8 went into something that then a lot of people were
 - 9 disappointed. And so restriction is more about, like,
 - 10 not disappointing people and not creating a lot of staff
 - 11 time because those people didn't get funded anyway. So
 - 12 I -- could we -- if we could pay attention, too, to the
 - 13 part that really pushed us further in this -- in this
 - 14 field.
 - 15 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Any other points
 - 16 for discussion?
 - 17 Vicki, your hand is still up. Did you just
 - 18 fail to bring it down?
 - 19 Okay. Okay --
 - 20 MS. GALLEGOS: You know --
 - 21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Hearing -- Consuelo?
 - 22 MS. MONTOYA: Kathy first. Go ahead.
 - 23 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. Yeah. Jodie, you make -
 - 24 you make a really good point. So maybe, you know,
 - 25 like Jonathan said, you know, throughout -- throughout

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- 1 only to the -- under 250. I -- I -- I definitely think
- 2 we need to look at the mid-size organizations. I just
- 3 don't know what that cutoff should be. How do you
- 4 define the mid -- a middle organization? That's all.
- 5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Jodie.
- 6 MS. EVANS: Thanks.
- 7 So yeah, our -- you know, setting boundaries
- 8 is hard, and people are going to be left out. And they
- 9 went through this in setting the boundaries the first
- 10 time around. And you know, a lot of this is about a ton
- 11 of work and also, you know, people that had -- that
- 12 applied hoping -- you -- those -- I read those numbers
- 3 -- and then not reaching the -- the bar. And that's a
- 14 lot of work, also.
- 15 So if we really truly intend -- and I want you
- 16 to known that we also prioritize people of color in the
- 17 under 250. It's -- you're acting like we're not funding
- $18\,\,$ a field when that is also part of the focus, but that,
- 19 you know, our intention in creating our new mission
- 20 statement was to actually do what we set out to do when
- 21 this was funded was get funds to those who don't get the
- 22 funds.
- 23 And so it's hard, and it's painful. And --
- 24 and, you know, some -- and it's hard when you -- you've
- 25 been at getting money from the Arts Council to then not.

- 1 the state, everything -- you know, the numbers are
 - 2 different. But I think 250 might be a little bit too
 - 3 low, so maybe a -- what do you call it -- a compromise
 - 4 could be that we raise that number a bit more. And --
 - 5 and I -- and I -- and I like the idea -- and I love the
 - 6 idea you talking about how we focused on communities of
 - 7 color, the disadvantaged communities that -- that really
 - 8 need this money. But I think maybe we should raise it a
 - 9 bit more as a compromise.
 - 10 MS. MONTOYA: And I'll go next. Thank you so
 - 1 much for that suggestion, Kathy. I was also thinking
 - 12 and reminding ourselves what our -- our guardrails are
 - 13 here. We -- we have to approve these today, right, in
 - 14 order for them to be implemented. So adjustments need
 - 15 to be made within the -- the deep amount of work that
 - 16 has been done.
 - 17 So if it is possible to raise that, you know,
 - 18 to another tier, mid-tier, would be -- without kind of
 - 19 breaking whatever our systems are -- you know, is it
 - 20 350? Can we go up, you know, just to capture a few more
 - 21 towards the -- the -- the mid-size? And I'll defer to
 - 22 Ayanna. Maybe she had something more to say on that.
 - 23 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna?
 - 24 MS. KIBURI: Yeah. What I was going to offer
 - 25 is that there's -- there's -- we already know that the

1 SLP guidelines are not going -- I'm sorry -- the -- the

2 Gen Ops -- well, the Gen Ops guidelines were going to be

3 voted on today, but could defer them if -- if it was

4 your desire until the next Council meeting. That's one

5 option. And then, yeah, that's what I wanted to share.

6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. The -- that --

7 that certainly is an option. Thank you, Ayanna.

8 But if we consider that 74 percent was the

9 success rate for organizations at 250 and below, so that

10 left us with 17 percent for larger-budget organizations.

11 If we raised the threshold to 350, that would probably

12 capture that additional 17 percent, which would --

13 because we would be limiting it. So large-budget

4 organizations would no longer apply in that category.

15 So that is one possible way to remedy this.

16 Jonathan?

17 MR. MOSCONE: Lilia or Ayanna -- I'm not sure

18 -- can we -- can you answer: Of the 17 percent, do we

19 know what the general range of budgets was or not?

20 MS. KIBURI: Thank you for asking, Jonathan.

21 Yes. So I -- we can -- if -- if the Council has a data

22 set that they would like to see before they make this

23 decision between now and January, staff can work on

24 that. We do -- we have already extracted what we call

25 of, by, and for data of our grantees, and we can

1 So --

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2 MS. KIBURI: Yeah.

3 MR. MOSCONE: -- I -- I know we're not

4 voting on that. I -- right now, I just felt it was

5 important to consider it in relationship.

6 MS. KIBURI: All we need is -- we know we have

7 some data, but we just need to know what you are looking

8 for, what -- what are the elements that you want to see,

9 what data sets do you want, and we'll try to get that to

10 you.

11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. We would be

12 looking at, of the 17 percent grants that are -- that

13 were awarded, what was the over -- or what was the

14 average budget size, and then what was the lowest budget

15 size, so that we would know what the -- what the floor

16 was and also the ceiling. That would allow us to come

17 up with a mid-range dollar amount.

18 Is there something else that folks would

19 desire? Is that -- okay. That's what I thought I

20 heard. Oh --

21 MS. ESTRADA: Can -- can we --

22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- you had your hand up.

23 MS. ESTRADA: Oh, I'm sorry.

24 MS. MONTOYA: Vicki?

25 MS. ESTRADA: Can we clarify then what it is

1 stratify that by the grant program. We can stratify it

2 by Total Operating Revenue. There's -- there's ways

 $3\,\,$ that we can look at this, possibly. If you -- if you

4 let us know what you want, we can potentially give that 5 information to you so you can make -- to -- this will

6 help you make a decision if you're going to change that

7 threshold.

8 MR. MOSCONE: I -- I -- I would -- I -- I -- I

9 appreciate that. I would like a little more data

10 because that would be really helpful. I think it might

11 support exactly what Lilia just surmised. And if it is,

12 then we -- we have -- we have a little bit more surety

13 going in for this year's planning around that.

14 MS. KIBURI: Yeah.

15 MR. MOSCONE: I would also -- can I just also

16 mention that it -- that it -- it helps -- if we raise

17 it, it helps differentiate it with the Cultural

18 Pathways, which is really built on a -- on a -- on a

19 kind of a mentorship and develop -- capacity

20 development, that building. And this would -- would

21 give it still within -- it would -- still within the

22 arena and aspirations and the thing that Jodie so

23 eloquently reminded us of. But it would also make it

24 not all from the same sort of tier of economics, which I

25 think is one of the reasons for the Cultural Pathways.

1 we're voting on?

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MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Well, hold on. We

3 actually will have to take an action and then, perhaps,

4 a new motion. But --

MS. ESTRADA: Okay.

6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- Chelo?

7 MS. MONTOYA: Yeah. I just wanted to clarify

8 as well because we are discussing separate areas as an

9 -- but we're under a vote as a whole, voting it on -- on

10 it as a whole currently. So my -- why not just follow

11 through with a discussion on the different areas so we

12 can at least, you know, make sure that we continue the

13 cycle?

14 So we just discussed the major recommendations

15 for state-local partners. Are we able to go to the

6 Individual Artists Fellowships now?

17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Sure.

18 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. Because that one also had

19 significant recommendations. And I -- I see the -- a

20 lot of work was done in that area. I'm still not clear

21 on how. It -- it seems like it's a completely different

22 process than the previous iteration, one that would

23 maybe exclude a lot of artists who spent a lot of time

working for that first round and looking forward to thisnext round, but -- but now they have to go through the

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1 county.

When we look at the counties, especially those

- 3 that don't have SLPs, who is covering those counties?
- 4 Who is making sure that the artists in those areas are
- 5 covered? I -- I -- I'm not sure if this method really
- 6 covers California and the kind of California artists
- 7 that we have. Unfortunately, a lot of those, you know,
- 8 are densely populated in metropolis areas. And so I --
- 9 I wonder if there is a different angle at this --
- 10 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah. I -- I think
- 11 there are two issues here. One is the fellowship grant
- 12 guidelines are not part of this package that we're
- 13 looking at. We are only looking at arts and cultural
- 14 organizations, Cultural Pathways, Impact Projects, JUMP
- 15 StArts, Reentry, state locals, and state local
- 16 mentorship.
- Now, we've already determined that state
- 18 locals are going to have to be waived in this process,
- 19 so they will not be included in the vote because we have
- 20 to wait for the allocations determination.
- 21 Fellowship grant guidelines are not part of
- 22 this package. I hear where you're going because there
- 23 is -- there is a recommendation for SLPs to recommend
- 24 potential fellows. But that would not exclude
- 25 individuals from applying anyway. So --

- 1 different numbers, or whatever it is. But the -- the
- 2 decision about whether the SLPs will function --
- 3 functionally work this program in -- in the fellowship
- 4 in this matter has to be made first before we could
- 5 actually develop the final guidelines for the program.
- 6 But it is a -- it is a decision that needs to be made.
- 7 You have to decide if you want the SLPs involved in that
- 8 matter --

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- MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And I believe --
- 10 MS. KIBURI: -- decide on that vote.
- 11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna, I believe that's
- 12 understood.
- 13 MS. KIBURI: Okay.
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: What -- what required
- 15 clarification -- and I believe it's now clear -- is that
- 16 the fellowship guidelines are still yet to be written.
- 17 And it's those guidelines that will include a
- 18 relationship with the SLPs and possibly an opportunity
- 19 -- and most likely an opportunity for individual artists
- 20 to still apply outside of an SLP.
 - MS. ESTRADA: Well, then the motion -- is it
- 22 still valid, Jonathan, the motion that --
- 23 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Well, what we are -- we
- 24 are getting -- get there right now --
- 25 MS. ESTRADA: Okay.

MS. MONTOYA: Okay.

- 2 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- it's just -- it was
- 3 just a way of ensuring that applicants from throughout
- 4 the state were engaged and accessed.
- 5 MS. MONTOYA: Great. Thank you --
- 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
- 7 MS. MONTOYA: -- for the clarification. So
- 8 okay. Thank you.

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- 9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So now, we have a
- 10 motion on the floor and a second to approve the
- 11 recommendations as written.
- 12 Yes, Ayanna?
- 13 MS. KIBURI: Thank you. I just wanted to
- 14 clarify. So because the allocations for -- I'm sorry --
- 15 the guidelines for the Individual Artists Fellowship are
- 16 going to be released in the second round, the Programs
- 17 Policy Committee submitted this idea that, when those
- 18 guidelines are developed, they would include this
- 19 relationship with the SLPs.
- 20 So I just want to make sure you know that the
- 21 -- if the -- if this goes forward, the Council wants the
- 22 SLPs to be involved in that grant program, the -- this
- 23 is the -- this is the time to say, yes, we want them to
- 24 have some relationship or we want to tweak that a little
- 25 bit differently than what is being proposed or we want

- 1 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- Vicki. So --
 - 2 MS. KIBURI: Well, I think --
 - MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So we have a motion on
 - 3 4 --
 - 5 MS. KIBURI: I'm sorry. I'm --
 - 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes, Ayanna?
 - 7 MS. KIBURI: -- Lilia. I think -- I wanted to
 - 8 just make sure that -- that I think that the Council
 - 9 needs to decide if that's the way that you want to do
 - 10 it. You want to have a both-and. You want to have an
 - 11 opportunity where the artists are -- are applying at the
 - 12 county level and being triaged because this idea that's
 - 13 being presented from the Policy Committee is that the
 - 14 Council will have a formally -- a formally established
 - 15 relationship with the SLPs. The SLPs will do a county-
 - 16 level competition similar to Poetry Out Loud. They will
 - 17 be getting some artists coming through. And then they
 - 8 will be elevating 10 of those to the statewide process
 - 19 where we then --
 - 20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna --
 - 21 MS. KIBURI: So it's a tiered --
 - 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- that --
 - 23 MS. KIBURI: -- process.
 - 24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That may have been the
 - 25 intent of staff. But the committee did not arrive at

1 that conclusion.

MS. KIBURI: But I think that's what's in the 2

3 memo, is what I'm --

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That -- no. The memo 4

5 does not discuss that either.

6 MS. KIBURI: Okav.

7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So therefore, the

8 discussion on how the fellowship guidelines are written

9 is yet to be had. We can't -- with this action, we

10 include a recommendation that SLPs be engaged in this

process, but not -- it doesn't do it in exclusion of

anything else that comes up later. 12

13 MS. KIBURI: Thank you.

14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.

15 MS. KIBURI: I -- I understand. Thank you.

16 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. All right. Now,

17 we do have a motion on the floor, and that motion is to

18 accept the recommendations as written. Given the

discussion, it's now up to the Council to determine

20 whether or not we want to move this recommendation

21 forward as is or not. If not, then we would want this

22 motion to fail. So we can take a vote now because we

1 discussion, again, going back to the core areas that

2 we're deciding on, we haven't discussed the mentorship

23 have a first and a second.

24 Yes. Chelo.

25 MS. MONTOYA: Oh, as we are still on 1 discussion on the SLP mentorship.

MS. GALLEGOS: Okay.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay? So I'm stepping 3

4 away for a moment, and if you could handle it.

5 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. Well, then at our last

6 meeting, we spoke about an SLP mentorship for the four

councils -- the four counties that do not have arts

councils. So we want to continue that discussion today

in our, you know -- since we are dealing with the

programs.

11 Consuelo, do you want to add to it?

12 MS. MONTOYA: Yes. So yes, we designated 40-K

13 for the four counties that do not have representations

with SLPs. And the -- sorry, let me -- the Program

Committee has provided a recommendation, and that

recommendation is -- is very thorough. It does have a

lot of elements in it. And I feel like at this time we

still have a lot of processing to do on -- on what

potential we have in this area.

20 We did have a memo item in our Equity

21 Committee, but it happens later where we would like to

discuss this a little bit further as it pertains to

equity as well. So I would like to ask if there's a way

24 to defer that to January, at least until January, or

25 potentially to the next grant cycle. But I think

1 January would also suffice to have a more robust

2 conversation on the possibilities of utilizing the

3 40,000 to build capacity and to result in identifying

4 SLPs in the four counties that have been vacant since

5 the SLP program began. So is that -- I -- I would like

6 to suggest that we extract that in whatever vote we --

we move forward with.

8 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. Ayanna, you have your

9 hand raised.

10 MS. KIBURI: Yeah. Thank you so much, Chelo,

11 for that.

12 I'm just wanting to make sure I'm capturing

what it is that you would want staff to go back and work

on, if you're going to defer it until January. Can you

15 tell me specifically what you're proposing to the

Council? 16

17 MS. MONTOYA: Well, we have a discussion item

18 in the Equity Committee memo. But we -- we'd like to

see how -- how this fund can -- can build capacity. I

think that, right now, as it stands, there are several

suggestions on identifying staff, paying for a new staff

22 person, rental space, and so forth. And -- and that's

23 one way to go about it.

24 But what I -- what I wonder is who are in

25 these -- what organizations, artists, and stakeholders

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4 significant difference to what we've done in the past.

5 So I believe we should have that discussion at this

6 time, if not what -- so if we can go into that 7 discussion, Lilia?

3 program. And I think that was another one of

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes. 8 9 MS. MONTOYA: Okay.

10 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And I'm going to -- I --

11 I'm going to need to excuse myself for a moment and

12 defer to the Vice Chair to step up and handle this

13 discussion.

14 Kathy, can you do that?

15 MS. GALLEGOS: Well, I don't understand what

16 -- we didn't --

17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: It's the discussion on

-- I believe it's part of the recommendations that are 18

19 coming from the Equity Committee.

20 MS. GALLEGOS: So --

21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Can you handle this,

22 Kathy?

23 MS. GALLEGOS: So we're going to bring up what

24 the Equity Committee has -- is -- is recommending.

25 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: It's just continuing the 56

14 matriculating, and then maybe start with those

15 organizations on inquiring if they have the capacity to 16 -- to be considered in this, in this process that has

17 been outlined. It seems like it may need a little

18 modification. And I -- I don't know if we're ready to

vote on that at this moment.

20 MS. KIBURI: And is -- is it also the 21 recommendation from the -- or the suggestion from the 22 committee that this -- this grant program be released 23 later in the year so that this all can be assessed? Or

24 is it still going to be on the slate for January vote? 25 MS. MONTOYA: Well, I mean, I recognize that

1 Otherwise, it'll be another discussion item in January.

2 So I just want to make sure you know that this is the

time to be very specific about what you want edited --

MS. GALLEGOS: Okay.

MS. KIBURI: -- and -- and have agreement --

6 agreement amongst the group.

MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. Go ahead, Chelo.

MS. MONTOYA: Yeah. I also want to

acknowledge I don't see that a Decision Support Tool was

created for this. So maybe the Policy Committee can

walk us through a little bit more on -- on why it was

decided to establish a new entity rather than maybe look

at what exists and adding to their resources to

distinguish them as SLPs. How does this play out? It

seems like it's -- it's creating new where -- where we

could be expanding. Or maybe -- maybe I interpreted it

wrong. 17

18 Jodie, yes?

19 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. So -- so --

20 MS. EVANS: Well, we did -- we did see it as

21 -- as first going to those people that already existed,

not as creating new. So it would seem when we looked at

it that way is that would be the first place to go. And

24 so I -- it's not about creating something new.

25 MS. GALLEGOS: Anne, did you want -- did you

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1 we have a very limited time to implement. And -- and

2 even seeing these very robust program, you know, put

3 forth, it -- it really makes it real. That's a lot of

4 things to do in -- in a very short amount of time. So I

5 think if we can have until January maybe to advance more

6 discussion in the later half of this meeting so that, in

7 January, maybe we can have a little bit more modified

8 and, you know, distilled opportunity.

9 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. I would agree with that,

10 that we -- we -- we have to discuss what is in that --

11 these guidelines. They seem a little overwhelming, and

12 we have to figure out what's realistic. And that's what

13 the Equity Committee is recommending.

14 MS. KIBURI: So I just want to offer that this

15 is the discussion time. This is your Council meeting

16 where this is where you all want to get down to what the

17 nitty gritty is that you want to see changed in those

guidelines so that everyone agrees on it, everybody's

19 okay with it.

20 So it's just coming back -- we'll make the

21 changes to it, come back to you, bring it -- the -- the

22 Programs Committee will bring it back. But you'll have

23 to be very specific right now on -- and agree on what

24 you want changed in it so we can just move forward as

25 staff to put that together for you for January.

1 have something to say?

MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: I just wanted to quickly

remind everybody that SLPs aren't -- we -- we're not the

sole creators of them. They need to be designated by

their county or the supervisors.

6 MS. MONTOYA: Yes.

MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: So that's a very

important part of the process.

9 MS. MONTOYA: Yes. I see that there is a

process for that as well, and it's very robust. So

that's helpful to clarify that you would be identifying

the existing organizations, building capacity, and

recommending them for consideration.

14 MS. EVANS: Even supporting them through that

15 process --

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MS. GALLEGOS: Excuse me.

17 MS. EVANS: Yeah.

18 MS. GALLEGOS: Could we hold off for a minute?

19 And Ayanna or somebody, Lilia is having trouble getting

20 back in.

21 MS. KIBURI: Oh.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you. 22

23 MS. GALLEGOS: There you go. Okay. So --

24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you, Kathy.

25 MS. GALLEGOS: I interrupted you, Jodie. So

please -- please continue. 2 MS. EVANS: No, that's okay. I -- I just 3 wanted to say that it -- it -- it was -- you're looking 4 at what already existed, how to build them up, and getting the -- the support in the county. 6 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. Great. 7 And is there a preliminary Decision Support 8 Tool? Are there any other things that you came across in your decision to recommend this? 10 (Cross talk.) 11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Actually, because we 12 were working on the guidelines, and all of the guidelines are drafted by staff and then they move 14 forward to the committee for review and consideration 15 and -- and move forward to the Council for final 16 adoption, there is no Decision Support Tool process that 17 is used for the guidelines because this is not a new action of the Council. This is the establishment and continuation of what the Council has already adopted. 20 MS. GALLEGOS: And how is that -- how is that, 21 Lilia? I don't -- I don't understand that part. 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That --23 (Cross talk.) 24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah, the decision to

62 64 1 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I --2 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. 3 (Cross talk.) 4 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Having first-hand experience as an SLP, I know that if it was -- if it was 6 the requirement -- the requirements that are here are -are -- are certainly consistent with what would be needed and also doable within a year's time frame because what you're doing is laying the foundation for the establishment of an SLP. So you're creating a new 11 SLP. 12 Yes, Jon? 13 MR. MOSCONE: I think Chelo was before me. 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Chelo. 15 MS. MONTOYA: Yes. 16 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: You all are being so 17 kind. 18 MS. MONTOYA: On that note, how was the 10 percent arrived? Is that the consistent fee? Fiscal sponsors sometimes take upwards of 18. It seems like 21 there will be a lot of, I guess, initiative that will be required to do this legwork. And so I would say it may need more capacity on the administrating SLP to search 24 for these organizations to build the capacity of many so that at least one will get considered. So I would say

1 the allocations decision. And so the Council determined 2 that we would have this. There was no Decision Support 3 Tool. You're right. MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. 4 5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But if you recall the 6 last meeting --7 MS. GALLEGOS: Right. MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- that was what the 8 9 Council agreed to.

25 fund or to create a mentorship program was approved with

10 MS. GALLEGOS: Right. And --11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So therefore, the 12 guidelines are responding to the Council's decision.

13 And the guidelines now are open for discussion. And if what is currently in the guidelines is inconsistent with

what the Council wants, we need to know that now. If

there is changes or -- or additions to the guidelines,

17 they hear that now.

18 MS. MONTOYA: Great.

19 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. I would -- I would say 20 that these program requirements, this -- that's pretty

21 intense. There's -- there's -- I don't even understand

22 if that is doable in one year. And I -- I think it's --

23 it's -- it would be overwhelming for any SLP to handle

24 that much activity and to come up with something clear

25 in -- in a year.

1 my recommendation would be to modify the 10 percent

2 towards a higher amount so that we can build capacity

with -- with good resource.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And -- and I -- I

5 wouldn't disagree with that. I think 10 percent was

6 selected because that's the medium range that is

7 administrative overhead for managing a project.

8 However, I agree with you 100 percent that it -- it's

going to take a little more time than what 10 percent is

going to cover. And so increasing that makes sense.

11 But that has to come as a recommendation.

12 MS. MONTOYA: Jodie, do you have thoughts on

13 that?

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14 MS. EVANS: No, we -- we agree with you. We

15 -- we had that conversation. So yeah, if feels good.

Thank you.

17 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. Jonathan?

18 MR. MOSCONE: I think it goes -- I think it

goes to address Kathy's issues, too. And I -- I -- I --

I support that. I think we underestimate in this field

of the world what it takes to do this work and,

22 especially this kind of work, which is really a building

23 process.

24 So I support going upwards to between -- I

25 don't know - up to 15 percent. I would -- if we're

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1 going to try to get a -- I'm throwing a straw number
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- 2 out, folks, not -- not because I think that's the right
- 3 answer, but I thought we should discuss that.
- 4 It -- it makes me -- I -- I -- this separate
- 5 point. To Kathy's point, my only reaction to this,
- 6 which I think is -- I think it's a really exciting
- 7 recommendation -- I love it -- I also am concerned that,
- 8 like, is it achievable in a year, right, and what is the
- 9 -- kind of like, what's the plan on the other side of
- 10 the year? How do we evaluate? How does it continue? I
- 11 kept thinking, should this be two years? I know that's
- 12 -- I'm not trying to throw a wrench in the machinery.
- 13 But I do -- that's just a question I want to ask.
- 14 I half believe the committee had wrestled with
- 15 this question as well. So I would just love to hear the
- 16 committee's thoughts on that -- that particular thing
- 17 that struck me. Did it strike you as well? Did you
- 18 discuss it? Can you just walk me -- or -- or move me to
- 19 it a little bit?
- 20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah. This is -- this
- 21 is a heavy lift, no question. The idea that, at the end
- 22 of the year, a fledgling SLP will be established is --
- 23 is -- is the goal. It -- it will require that the
- 24 county that is being worked with, in fact, wants this to
- 25 occur. So that's politics, and politics is never clear

- 1 organizations we can do better with.
- 2 But I think in this year, we can't promise to
- 3 achieve the -- the designation, but we can promise to
- 4 recommend the designation of maybe up to three as a
 - 5 goal. Does that seem --
 - MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I'm not following.
- 7 Doing what?
- 8 MS. MONTOYA: Instead of this -- the
- 9 administrating SLP being required to get to the finish
- 10 line on designating an SLP as a result, let's say that
- 11 they are, you know, recommending organizations to be
- 12 designated as SLPs. Let's not require that finish line.
- 13 I mean, it doesn't seem like it's in our wheelhouse to
- 14 do that action.

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- 15 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. What -- what will
- 16 occur is you don't choose an organization to be an SLP.
 - MS. MONTOYA: Right.
- 18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: You will create an SLP
- 19 from -- from where there is nothing. So there are no
- 20 choices to make. At the end of the process, there will
- 21 be a new entity either housed in county government,
- 22 municipal government, or as an independent 501(c)(3).
- 23 Those are the possible places where an SLP can be
- 24 housed.
- 25 So at the end of this process, the foundation

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- 1 in terms of understanding exactly what the outcome will
- 2 be.
- 3 I -- these projects are going into counties
- 4 that have never had SLPs. There's some reason for that.
- 5 So it's -- there's no -- there's no illusion that this
- 6 is going to be easily done and counties are going to
- 7 welcome this process. But we -- we did consider that a
- 8 successful project with all things moving in a positive
- 9 direction with a board of supervisors that wants this, a
- 10 community that wants this, and -- and that it is
- 11 possible to achieve this at the end of the year.
- 12 Jodie, anything to add?
- 13 MS. EVANS: No.
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Chelo?
- 15 MS. MONTOYA: So I would suggest under
- 16 promise, overserve. If we can take -- you know, we
- 17 can't choose what the representatives will -- will do
- 18 with this information, but maybe take that off the table
- 19 as a required deliverable and make it that they -- the
- 20 SLP that administrates this would recommend up to three,
- 21 you know, candidates so that it's a set deliverable.
- 22 They could submit one strong candidate. Or if they have
- 23 three strong candidates, they can support that. But
- 24 that we -- it's towards building capacity, and that --
- 25 that investment will still last in connecting with those

- 1 for a new SLP will be in place. You don't work with
 - 2 other organizations to become SLPs.
 - 3 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. Okay. I just want to
 - 4 make sure that we're do -- we're putting something out
 - 5 there that we can achieve within this. So if there is
 - 6 any way to make sure that the -- the guidelines reflect
 - $7\,\,$ a deliverable that's achievable, then that's -- I just
 - 8 want to make sure we're able to do that.
 - 9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah. I -- I would say
 - 10 that if there was something that -- that alter or
 - 11 modified that would allow some time, that we might, you
 - 12 know, say that this is, you know -- the -- the
 - 13 expectation is that this is completed at the end of the
 - 14 grant cycle. But there's an understanding that it may
 - 15 take a little longer. And I don't know how we
 - 16 articulate that in grant guidelines except by saying
 - 17 that -- that it could take because that's the -- or
 - 18 that, at the end of the process, a new SLP is not
 - 19 created because we don't know what that -- there are
 - 20 unknown variables. But I -- I really think that if
 - 21 -- if someone takes it on, that it's possible to make
 - 22 happen.
 - 23 MS. GALLEGOS: So we --
 - 24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But my cup is always
 - 25 half full. So yeah, but I found the end, Kathy.

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MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. So -- so, yeah, this is
2 -- this -- okay. So this is a one-year project. We
3 evaluate it. And so I think -- I don't know if we need
4 this in the guidelines, but we need -- we need a report
5 at the end to how successful was it.
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And if -- if we find that it was overwhelming 7 or -- then we say, okay, we need to give them another 8 year; let's see if it works. If we find out, you know, 9 it's smooth-going, then that's great. But we're going 10 to give it an opportunity for one year. It seems overwhelming to me, but we'll do it for one year and 12 make sure at the end of that year we get the report, 13 report in hand how -- how successful was this. So ...

14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And I think -- and this 15 is something I would defer to staff. It's a question.

16 Some -- some funded projects -- and I have never seen it

17 with the CAC -- but some funded projects are allowed an 18 extension to complete the work. Could we indicate that,

19 in the event that an extension is required, (inaudible)

20 would be considered so that then, if -- if you're almost

21 there, like, you haven't quite got the board of

22 supervisors to give you the vote, but you know that

23 somebody's turning out, a new supervisor is coming in

24 and you really support the project, that you could get

25 an extension?

1 extension because they -- they -- you know, take the

2 time to do this. We'll get an interim report -- I mean

a final report and see where you are.

4 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. Okay.

5 MS. KIBURI: So we can keep that open.

6 And then I also just wanted to offer that,

when you get to this point, it seems like there are

three edits that the Policy Committee are going to be

playing with in these guidelines, the SLP mentoring

guidelines. And I just want to go over the three areas.

11 And -- and -- and Lilia, if you -- if you want

12 the Council to approve with edit or hold it over until

January. And I -- I hope that it's not a holdover

because here's the thing: If we're going to post all of

these guidelines by the 19th of January, it's going to

be really hard to have a meeting on the 7th to finalize

and approve guidelines and get everything edited before

the 19th. So I I'm just hoping that some of the things will be approved this time around. But we'll do

20 whatever you ask us to do.

21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: It makes sense to

approve with proposed or recommended edits.

23 MS. KIBURI: Yeah.

24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But okay. Are we --

25 (Cross talk.)

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Anne? 1

2 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: No, you just -- you

3 pretty much just said verbatim what was said to me by

4 another county -- actually, the county, you know, where

5 my home is -- is, Anne, there is -- there will be new

6 Councilmembers, supervisor, (inaudible) coming up what

7 you want to have happen is going to -- we're certain is

going to happen.

9 And -- and it -- and -- and it -- you are

10 correct, Lilia. It is all very political. And in -- in

11 my mind, even if -- if -- if it -- a county

12 doesn't get over the finish line, whoever is mentoring

13 that county should be gathering enough data to inform us

as to why there are -- that's huge to know why -- what

15 hurdles a county is dealing with in order to hesitate

16 making this decision.

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17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna?

MS. KIBURI: Yeah. I -- I -- I think it's

great to give more time. I think in terms of

administrative grant program, instead of -- instead of

21 inviting an extension, I think we just give them a

22 different timeline to finish it, give them an interim, a

23 final report timeline. And if they have to keep going

24 and doing other work, then they'll report on that in

25 their final report. But it -- there's no need for an

MS. KIBURI: (Inaudible), Lilia. I think

2 probably just because there's a lot of discussion about

the SLP guidelines and there's a lot of discussion about

the mentoring guidelines, that maybe your vote, when you

get to the voting part, you'll take each guideline

separately since you have -- you have specifics that you

want change. That would be an option.

8 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah. Okay.

9 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay.

10 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: (Inaudible) Kathy.

11 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. So now we're going to

12 vote on these guidelines. But with the operating -- Gen

Ops, we talked about raising -- raising the -- the TOR.

So does that mean we vote with the amendment -- with an

amendment -- amendment, the amended change of, rather

than, you know, not voting for the item and then having

to have another motion, could we just say, with the

added amendment, that the TOR goes up to 350? Or how --

19 I don't remember what we -- what we spoke about there.

20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: If you agree with 350,

21 which, I mean, again, it's --

22 MS. GALLEGOS: It's a recommendation.

23 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- an arbitrary number

at this point because what we asked was that staff bring

us that information that would allow us to determine

74 76 1 what that number might be. But if you did agree to the MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: The motion on the floor 2 350 at this point, we would just adopt it and move 2 is to adopt the recommendations of the Program Policy Committee, okay? So based on our discussion, this 3 forward. motion may fail. So let's get through this motion. 4 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. 5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So it's --5 MS. KIBURI: Okay --6 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- so what --MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Then we can introduce a 7 MR. MOSCONE: Yeah. I mean, I would -- Kathy, new motion, which may include breaking everything down 8 I would recommend we go with the data -- learning the in separate votes for each one. data first before we -- we -- we circle around a number. 9 Yes, Kristin? 10 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. So that means that we're 10 MS. MARGOLIS: I'm sorry to interrupt, Lilia. 11 not going to be voting on Gen Ops right now. 11 I think we have to take a roll call again because Alex 12 MR. MOSCONE: That's right. I think what -- I joined us and Stanlee left. 13 think Ayanna is trying to urge us to vote on what we can MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Okay. 14 vote on --MS. MARGOLIS: So can we do that first, and 14 15 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. then we'll read what the motion is? 16 MR. MOSCONE: -- so that we can -- so that 16 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. And that's to we're not stacking everything up in the January meeting, 17 determine a quorum or just roll call to determine --18 if I heard you correctly, Ayanna. 18 MS. MARGOLIS: It's both. It's both --19 MS. KIBURI: Yes --19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. 20 20 MR. MOSCONE: I know you're --MS. MARGOLIS: -- for the record. 21 MS. KIBURI: -- you did. Thank you so much. 21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. 22 MR. MOSCONE: Yeah. 22 MS. MARGOLIS: Okay. So I'm going to do the 23 MS. KIBURI: You had some really -- it was a 23 roll call now. 24 great discussion. It was --24 Estrada? 25 25 MR. MOSCONE: Yeah. MS. ESTRADA: Here. 75 77 MS. KIBURI: -- having it, yeah. MS. MARGOLIS: Evans? 1 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And this is a more 2 2 MS. EVANS: Here. 3 challenging way to do it, but it does allow us to get to 3 MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos? 4 the same place. Now, we presented our best thinking as 4 MS. GALLEGOS: Here. 5 5 a committee, recognizing that we're on Council for a MS. MARGOLIS: Gatti? 6 6 reason, that, you know, many ideas help to make a (No audible response.) 7 successful project. 7 MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez? 8 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Here. So this is -- we now still have a motion on 9 the floor and a second. So the motion -- Kristin, can MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone? 10 you re-read our motion? Or is -- can I just -- Ayanna, 10 MR. MOSCONE: Here. 11 MS. MARGOLIS: Israel? 11 can you re-read --12 12 MS. KIBURI: Yeah. I'm happy to do that if MR. ISRAEL: Here. 13 13 it's okay. MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya? 14 14 But I can't see -- Kristin, I can't see your MS. MONTOYA: Here. 15 face. But I think I'd like to give mine. Can I do 15 MS. MARGOLIS: We have a quorum. Thank you, 16 Lilia. 16 that? 17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes. 17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you. MS. KIBURI: So --18 18 Okay. Now, I'm going to call for the question 19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Go ahead. on the motion on the table. All votes in favor of a 20 motion -- oh, no. We have to do roll call. 20 MS. KIBURI: -- I think we have to take each 21 of the grant programs separately to --21 Kristin? MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: No, no, no, no, no, no. 22 22 MS. MARGOLIS: Okav. Estrada? 23 23 Ayanna, the motion on the floor -- okay. I'll -- I'll MS. ESTRADA: Yes. 24 do this. 24 MS. MARGOLIS: Evans? 25 25 MS. KIBURI: Great. (No audible response.)

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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Evans?
                                                                   1 that we look at these individually. We know that state-
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?
                                                                   2 local partners has -- is already going to be waived, so
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                                                                   3 we're not considering it in this process. That's going
         MS. EVANS: Yes.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?
                                                                   4 to January.
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         MS. GALLEGOS: No.
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         MR. MOSCONE: I'm so sorry. We're taking --
                                                                   6 cultural organizations operating relief. Are we
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   we're vote -- are we voting now?
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
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         MR. MOSCONE: Oh, okay.
                                                                      information from the staff.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: (Inaudible) on a motion
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   and a second. Again --
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                                                                      table Gen Ops.
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         MR. MOSCONE: I -- I'm sorry. I just --
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes --
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                                                                      table Gen Ops. Can I have a motion to table Gen Ops?
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         MR. MOSCONE: I just want to -- I just was
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                                                                            MS. KIBURI: Okay. And can you also ask for
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   unclear. I'm so sorry, Lilia. I just needed --
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
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         MR. MOSCONE: -- clarity. Sorry to interrupt.
                                                                     that will be a discussion. The motion to table Gen Ops?
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So where were we,
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                                                                            MS. ESTRADA: I'll make that motion.
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   Kristin?
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                                                                  20 Is there a second?
         MS. MARGOLIS: Yes. Gallegos said no. Next
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: No.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: -- Gatti?
                                                                  23 and a second to table Gen Ops. Now in discussion, it --
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         (No audible response.)
                                                                  24 let's discuss that the issue related to Gen Ops is to
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?
                                                                  25 have staff bring back data that identifies what is the
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: No.
                                                                   1 mid-sized organization threshold, dollar-amount
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone?
                                                                   2 threshold, for determining an increase in the -- an
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         MR. MOSCONE: No.
                                                                   3 increase from the current $250,000 base for funding. Is
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?
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         (No audible response.)
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes or no?
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         MR. ISRAEL: Sorry. I was on mute. No vote.
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   Abstain.
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                                                                            MS. KIBURI: Well, but I -- if I can just say,
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         MS. MARGOLIS: So is it a no vote, or is it
                                                                      what I understood and documented was that the Council
10 abstain?
                                                                  10 was asking the staff to go back and assess the 17
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                                                                      percent of grantees that were not awarded and stratify
         MR. ISRAEL: Abstain.
                                                                  12 by their -- their Total Operating Revenue. But the data
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Okay.
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         MR. ISRAEL: I'm here, right? So ...
                                                                  13 set that will be reviewed by the Council to help make a
                                                                      decision about maybe an adjustment (inaudible).
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         MS. MARGOLIS: No, no. I know. Just you said
15 it's a no vote and then abstain, so I just wanted to
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16 clarify.
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         Montoya?
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                                                                            MS. KIBURI: Right. We don't -- we wouldn't
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         MS. MONTOYA: No.
                                                                  18 have to -- we wouldn't be able to determine the
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         MS. MARGOLIS: The motion fails.
                                                                     increased limit, but --
         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So the motion
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   failed. Now we can create a new motion, and the new
                                                                  21 -- the Council to determine and --
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22 motion can incorporate the conversation that we just
23 had.
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         MS. ESTRADA: Okay.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And it was suggested
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MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Right. Right.

2 MS. GALLEGOS: But can we -- but can we not

3 just say for the 17, but for mid-size organizations that

- 4 we fund, we -- we want to get an idea of what their
- 5 total operating support is so that we get a -- you know,
- 6 a balance for, you know, an average -- an average that
- 7 we would possibly raise this to?
- 8 MS. KIBURI: Okay. So that's a different data

9 set.

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- 10 MS. GALLEGOS: So I would --
- 11 MS. KIBURI: Tell me what that is again in
- 12 your mind.
- 13 MS. GALLEGOS: So it's not just the 17, but
- 14 it's our -- our mid-size arts organizations. What is --
- 15 what is the average? You know, the low end? The high
- 16 end? What's the average there that we think, you know,
- 17 we should raise it? It would help then in making a
- 18 decision of what we should raise it to.
- 19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I see Jodie's hand up.
- 20 MS. EVANS: Well, we -- but this relates to
- 21 what happened. I -- I think going outside of the sphere
- 22 of what happened is going to just not be useful. I
- 23 think that we need to stay with what happened last year.
- 24 And -- and, I mean, I heard the conversation being what
- 25 -- what is in that 17 percent and how do we find a mean

- 1 California. We're funding, like, you know, still, like,
- 2 20 percent. So it's still -- I -- I don't -- I feel
- 3 like that conversation isn't at the table. Yes, there's
- 4 those that will be left out that have been getting
- 5 money, that do have more money. But if we actually are
- 6 serious about getting money to places that don't have
- 7 that money, if we're really serious about that, if we
- 8 understand the limitations, I mean, watch the TV show
- 9 Made. Like, when you don't understand how hard it is to
- 10 do something and that there is only this one universe
- 11 that you're trying to use this opportunity to move the
- 12 money down to, it just -- we can water it down as much
- 13 as you want.
- 14 But your -- it's like somehow we need to be
- 15 serious about creating a container that also gets to the
- 16 effect that we all agreed upon in the mission statement
- 17 and for days working on what we wanted to do. It's
- 18 going to be painful for some. But imagine how many
- 19 people -- I think it was 84 percent of the arts
- 20 organizations of California don't get anything, and
- 21 they're small. Just --
- 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So I -- I think -- I
- 23 think, by maintaining the -- the universe of information
- 24 to be collected from the existing Gen Ops programs,
- 25 because those are the ones that were on for Gen Ops, so

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- 1 in there. And I don't know if we want to include all
- 2 those that got left out that were decided on. I doubt
- 3 it. But I -- I -- I just think to -- opening up
- 4 Pandora's box on this one for a staff that's already
- 5 overwhelmed is just not wise.
- 6 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- I -- I don't -- I
- 7 don't see that as too much of a -- of a reach. I mean,
- 8 I think, even though this was 17 percent in the past, I
- 9 mean, I think we're talking about mid-size
- 10 organizations, in general. And --
- 11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah. I -- I think --
- 12 FEMALE SPEAKER: Kathy, I'm just going to go
- 13 back --
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- Kathy --
- 15 FEMALE SPEAKER: Can I just --
- MS. EVANS: Why we are doing this is we made a
- 17 commitment in creating our new mission statement to move
- 18 this money to the places it needs to go. We didn't open
- 19 it up again to, like, evaluating the past and all the --
- 20 I mean, we could water down our intention as much as you
- 21 like. It's always going to be painful to someone. It's
- 22 always going to be hard.
- 23 And -- and just reminding that that -- even
- 24 with that number, we're still not even funding 50
- 25 percent of the small arts organizations in the State of

- 1 it's going to still get us to the same place you want to
 - 2 be, Kathy, because those are -- that 17 percent that got
 - 3 funded are those mid-size and large organizations that
 - 4 were needing Gen Ops support and -- and were eligible
 - 5 and qualified for Gen Ops support.
 - 6 So I think we're going to get to the same
 - 7 place. We are wanting to know who was left out of this
 - 8 process and at what range of overall income.
 - 9 Yes, Jonathan?
 - 10 MR. MOSCONE: Yeah. I -- I -- I really
 - 11 appreciate, Jodie, like, going for it. I'm in.
 - 12 And -- and yet I'm also in with Kathy on a
 - 13 separate issue. I think we need to understand this. I
 - 14 think this may be two different points. I really do
 - 15 want to understand more of the -- kind of the ranges and
 - 16 how they really play themselves out. That may not be
 - 17 the arena of this particular ask. I would like to
 - 8 discuss it at one point, and maybe we'll need to discuss
 - 19 what we want to have in future conversations. That
 - 20 could be one of them.
 - 21 I think -- but in -- in relationship to it --
 - 22 in the spirit of understanding how it -- how experiment
 - 23 -- how work affects how -- how we learn, this -- this
 - 24 seems like the right way to go to understand -- the
 - 25 current -- the last year, adapt for this year; learn

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 1 this year, adapt for next year. That's the -- I think
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                                                                             That -- yes, Jodie?
2 that's our best process for this particular issue.
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                                                                             MR. MOSCONE: You're muted, Jodie.
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                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Unmute, please.
         Again, I -- I do -- I do -- I am with Kathy in
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4 the -- in the bigger question about understanding tiers
                                                                             FEMALE SPEAKER: You're muted.
 5 more from, like, a data perspective. So I do -- I do
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                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Unmute.
6 support, though, the -- Jodie's -- Jodie's thinking
                                                                             MS. EVANS: Sorry. I'm concerned that that's
7 here.
                                                                       looking at the universe of who gets funded. Somewhere
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         And I feel -- I'm really concerned now that
                                                                       we need to include in that report who doesn't get
9 every word is going to be written down in our minutes.
                                                                       funded. So -- and we did have those numbers from last
10 And I just looked at mine and just was like, um, uh, uh,
                                                                       time. I just would want those paired in.
11 uh. Oh, boy. Oh, now I'm doing it again. It's going
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                                                                             MS. KIBURI: They will be because it's going
12 to happen again. Oh, boy. Period.
                                                                    12 to be of the application --
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Well -- well, we'll just
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                                                                             (Cross talk.)
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                                                                             MS. KIBURI: -- funded and not -- not funded
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         MR. MOSCONE: Just try to keep it lively. I'm
                                                                    15 of the -- oh, by and for data? Yeah, it'll be funded
16 just trying to keep it lively.
                                                                       and not funded. And there's the 17 percent that didn't
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. But -- but I --
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                                                                       get funded. We'll stratify that as well.
18 yeah. So -- so we -- we need a motion, and the -- oh,
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                                                                             MS. EVANS: Thank you.
19 Ayanna's hand is up.
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                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So that's our
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                                                                    20 motion. Is -- is -- is there a maker for that motion?
         Ayanna?
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         MS. KIBURI: Just to clarify, it's possible
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22 for the staff to go back and look at 2019 data set of
                                                                       I have to repeat it?
23 applicant and identify across and stratify by across
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                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. No.
24 TOR, demographics, and -- and everything that we can
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                                                                             MR. MOSCONE: I -- I make -- I -- I -- I
25 glean from the final report that we -- we -- we have.
                                                                    25 make the motion.
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 1 And we have been digging into that. We can provide that
                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So we have a
2 so you have a sense of -- of by and for based on
                                                                     2 first. Is there a second?
3 stratification of Total Operating Revenue. And we can
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                                                                             (No audible response.)
4 look at the 17 percent that didn't get funded and
                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. We have a second.
5 stratify it by Total Operating Revenue. Those would be
                                                                     5 We have a motion and a second.
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6 the two data sets that we can provide for your
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7 consideration.
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                                                                             (No audible response.)
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                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: There is no further
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Okay. That
9 sounds like a plan. We get what everybody wants.
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                                                                       discussion. All those -- oh, Kristin?
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         But okay. So we still need a motion, and the
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                                                                             MS. MARGOLIS: I --
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                                                                             MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I just want to jump to
11 motion should be relevant to the Arts & Cultural
                                                                    12 the --
12 Organization General Operating Relief Fund. So we
13 agreed to table and now to -- or the motion is to table
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                                                                             MS. MARGOLIS: I understand. It's okay.
14 and use and have staff provide data on the 17 percent
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                                                                             Estrada?
15 that were not funded.
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                                                                             MS. ESTRADA: Yes.
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         And Ayanna, you describe what else you're
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                                                                             MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?
17 going to provide.
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                                                                             MS. EVANS: Yes.
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         MS. KIBURI: We could look back at the final
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                                                                             MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?
19 report for 2019 and inform you all on, you know, based
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                                                                             MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.
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20 on stratification of demographics as well as total
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   operating revenue.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So that's --
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         MS. KIBURI: (Inaudible).
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- the motion. So
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25 that's the motion.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?
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         MR. ISRAEL: Yes.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya?
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                                                                            MS. KIBURI: -- what is it that you want to
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         MS. MONTOYA: Yes.
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                                                                            MS. GALLEGOS: In the requirements -- let me
         MS. MARGOLIS: The motion passes.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
                                                                      see here. In the -- I'm looking at it now. Give me a
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         FEMALE SPEAKER: Yay.
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                                                                       minute.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Now -- now, we have a
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                                                                            So here we have under -- oops. I'm looking at
   second motion. And I would like to suggest, since there
                                                                    9 the wrong page. Sorry. I'm sorry. (Inaudible).
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   were no compelling issues related to Cultural Pathways,
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                                                                             Okay. So when we -- when we're talking about
   Impact Projects, JUMP StArts, and Reentry Through the
                                                                   11 the application review criteria -- let just -- on
12 Arts, that we have one motion to approve one, two, three
                                                                      Cultural Pathways -- and I think they're all pretty much
   -- four guidelines, that set. Is -- can I have such a
                                                                      the same, the guidelines -- we talk about application
   motion?
                                                                      review criteria. We lead with management and
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Move the motion.
                                                                      leadership. We go to communications on documentations,
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kathy has moved to
                                                                       then racial equity on the accessibility. I'm asking
                                                                       that we lead with race equity.
17 accept the guidelines for these four programs. Is there
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   a second?
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                                                                            MS. KIBURI: You mean switch the order?
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         MS. EVANS: Second.
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                                                                            MS. GALLEGOS: Yes. I'm saying --
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Jodie has
                                                                            MS. KIBURI: Okay.
21 seconded.
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                                                                            MS. GALLEGOS: -- we lead --
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         Any discussion?
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                                                                            MS. KIBURI: (Inaudible) share with your
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         Kristin?
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                                                                      committee -- or Council. Okay.
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Yes. Oh, I'm sorry.
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                                                                            MS. GALLEGOS: Yes. And let me see. And I
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         MS. MARGOLIS: No worries. Go ahead.
                                                                   25 think there is another area that I'm talking about in
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1 Discussion.
                                                                    1 the eligibility requirements. I would like to see the
         MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. So I'm looking through
                                                                    2 racial equity statement moved to the top -- racial
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3 the eligibility requirements. And you know, whenever we

4 speak about racial equity, we always put those usually

5 at the bottom. So I would like to bring racial issue --

6 the question of racial equity, the racial equity

7 statement, forward. And we lead with race when it comes

8 to eligibility requirements and that following then,

9 we'll have race equity in our minds when we speak about

10 describing arts programming.

11 And let me see. There is another area where I

12 would like to have that brought forward.

13 MS. ESTRADA: So even though it's not a

prioritized list, it's -- it's just more of a -- of a

15 symbolic thing to you.

16 MS. GALLEGOS: It's not prioritized.

17 MS. ESTRADA: Right.

18 MS. GALLEGOS: But it's very symbolic. It's

19 very important that we, you know -- that we lead with

20 race and we think about it when we answer our questions.

21 And so --

22 MS. KIBURI: Kathy?

23 MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.

24 MS. KIBURI: Are you specifically asking for

25 an edit on the way that the -- I -- just for

3 equity statement, California-based documentation, fiscal

sponsorship, certificate of good standing. But I would

6 MS. KIBURI: Okay.

MS. GALLEGOS: -- like to leave with the race

equity statement.

9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Chelo, you have your

10 hand up?

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11 MS. MONTOYA: Yeah. I mean, I -- Kathy and I

12 are on the Equity Committee. I just want to say it is

amazing to see these -- the criterion included, and I

14 think that that's a great accomplishment.

15 For Ayanna, I wonder if what Kathy's asking

16 will, you know, mess up the calibration and order of

17 things.

18 MS. KIBURI: No.

19 MS. MONTOYA: If not, then I think that would

20 be great to lead with race.

21 MS. KIBURI: It's a -- it's a very easy edit.

22 It's just rearranging things, that's all, if that's what

23 the Council wants us --

24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. And remind me:

25 Who was the maker of this motion? Was it Kathy?

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         MS. GALLEGOS: It was me.
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                                                                          MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: The -- the state-local
         MR. MOSCONE: It was Kathy.
         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: It was Kathy. So then,
                                                                    partners is being waived until January. But local
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4 Kathy, I assume you accept these amendments to your
                                                                     partnership mentorship -- yes, Jonathan?
5 motion.
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                                                                          MR. MOSCONE: Did we -- did we discuss the
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         MS. GALLEGOS: I do.
                                                                    idea of raising the administrative overhead to --
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. All right. So
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8 then we have a motion on the floor, and it has been
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                                                                          MR. MOSCONE: -- I -- I threw out 15
   amended to modify all guidelines to lead with race in
                                                                  9 percent. So I don't know what people think about that.
   the categories where it's listed. Is that --
                                                                 10 But I think that's the one amendment we would make; yes,
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.
                                                                     correct? And -- and, also, just to report, making sure
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- consistent with what
                                                                 12 that we have the report clearly indicated in the
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   you wanted, Kathy?
                                                                     guidelines or the way we announce it about how we learn
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.
                                                                    from this so that we can adjust for a year -- if there's
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
                                                                 15 a year to -- for some or all of that.
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So -- so now, there was
                                                                          MR. MOSCONE: Correct, Kathy --
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   a motion and a second. We had discussion.
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         Any further discussion?
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                                                                          MS. MONTOYA: I think we should make the
         (No audible response.)
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. If there's no
                                                                 21 motion to go into discussion. So I move to adopt the
   further discussion, call for the question, Kristin.
                                                                     proposed mentor -- state-local partner mentorship
                                                                 23 program with the adjustment of increasing the
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Estrada?
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         MS. ESTRADA: Yes.
                                                                 24 administrative to 15 percent and requiring report to
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                                                                 25 reflect on the process.
         MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?
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         MS. EVANS: Yes.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?
                                                                  2 motion. Is there a second?
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.
                                                                          Jonathan has made the second. There is a
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?
                                                                    motion and a second. Any further discussion?
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
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                                                                          Ayanna?
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone?
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         MR. MOSCONE: Yes.
                                                                  7 Chelo, you said two. One was the increase to 15 percent
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                                                                    and -- and then get a final report. But you also wanted
         MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?
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         MR. ISRAEL: Yes.
                                                                    to -- to write in the guidelines a longer timeline.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya?
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         MS. MONTOYA: Yes.
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         MS. MARGOLIS: Motion passes.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. And then the last
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                                                                     accept that change to your motion?
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         (Cross talk.)
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                                                                          MS. MONTOYA: (Inaudible) the modification.
         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- the last item is
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17 state-local partners --
                                                                 17 motion, a second with modifications.
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         MR. MOSCONE: So happy.
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                                                                          Call for the question.
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Is that one being tabled
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   as well, or are we ready to move forward with that one?
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   It seemed like we were ready to move forward with that.
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         MS. GALLEGOS: Remind me: Did you say the
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   state-local -- state-local partner mentorship?
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         MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: The mentorship. The
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25 mentorship.
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98 100 And so staff, I'm going to refer to you. Is 1 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes. 2 MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone? 2 there a presentation? 3 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yes. So the Public MR. MOSCONE: Yes. 4 MS. MARGOLIS: Israel? 4 Affairs staff has prepared two videos of both Donn and 5 MR. ISRAEL: Yes. 5 Kathy. 6 MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya? 6 Kathy, I told you about it. They're very 7 7 MS. MONTOYA: Yes. brief. (Inaudible) mute here. 8 MS. MARGOLIS: Motion passes. 8 She is reluctant to be -- have the spotlight 9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yay. We can have lunch. on her, but we all know she well deserves the spotlight 10 MR. MOSCONE: Happy holidays to Ayanna. 10 on her. MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And -- and -- and 11 11 And then after the two videos, there will be 12 Kristin's staff will be pleased. opportunity for -- for any Councilmembers to say 13 MS. KIBURI: And this is -- this is even more anything they would like. beyond the staff that you see, the way to our phones are 14 MS. GALLEGOS: Remember, I blush, okay? 14 -- we're -- we're -- we're texting and calling, so, 15 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yes. So Wendy, are you 16 believe me, a lot of staff are involved, and others, and 16 ready to show those, or is -- yeah, there we go. And it does have sound, so --17 I am grateful for all of their support as well. 17 18 MR. MOSCONE: I just like seeing the dance. 18 (WHEREUPON, a slide show was played.) 19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So where are we? 19 MR. HARRIS: Yay. Thank you, everybody. It 20 20 We are -- let's see how far. Okay. We're not over at was beautiful. I -- I remember every one of those 21 all. We actually are ahead of our agenda a bit. So 21 photographs of where I was, too. Good. 22 congratulations, people, for moving this through and 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Well, I certainly 23 getting so much good work done. We are now ready for a 23 remember when you visited us in Fresno. That was great. 24 lunch break. 24 MR. HARRIS: No, great -- it was a great 25 Do we want to come back at the time that was 25 meeting. 99 101 1 designated so that we continue to have our next public MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes. 2 Councilmembers, anyone have anything they'd 2 comment on time --FEMALE SPEAKER: Yes. 3 3 like to say? 4 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- or do we want to --4 MS. GALLEGOS: Sure. 5 5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kathy? FEMALE SPEAKER: Yes. 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- come back a little 6 MS. GALLEGOS: So Donn, I -- I really 7 early? 7 appreciate -- I really appreciated your service. I 8 FEMALE SPEAKER: Yes. remember so clearly when you were Chair, and I thought 9 FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah. you did a great job. You -- you brought our -- some of 10 FEMALE SPEAKER: 1:10. 10 our grantees to our -- to our Council meetings, who 11 performed for us. And I -- I think that was one of my MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. 12 FEMALE SPEAKER: Thank you. favorite parts of going to the different counties, MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So 1:10. We'll see you seeing -- seeing some of their artists perform. And I 13 really appreciated that -- that portion of the meetings 14 at 1:10. Thank you. 15 (WHEREUPON, a luncheon recess was taken.) 15 that you brought us. MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Shall we begin? Do we 16 16 And -- and working with you on the Allocations 17 have whatever we need? Are we, like, back on officially 17 Committee, that -- that was absolutely amazing. You are or -- okay. Staff has to open us up to the public. Or amazing with numbers and -- and -- and your depth of 19 are we open? knowledge and how you researched the -- the California 20 Arts Council's website. And you said it's amazing the MS. MARGOLIS: We are -- we are open at this 21 things you will learn and find out from the history of moment. 22 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Okay. So then -- of just reviewing the website.

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So any -- anyway, you know, thank you. I -- I

24 so enjoyed working with you, and I was honored to be

25 with you on the Allocations Committee.

23 let's move right along. And we are on item 11, and it

24 is now 1:18. And this is the place we get to honor both

25 Kathy and Donn for their amazing service to the Council.

4 MS. MONTOYA: And Donn, I only know you in 5 bobblehead form. But I --

6 MR. HARRIS: (Inaudible).

7 MS. MONTOYA: -- look forward -- it's been

8 amazing to -- to watch you in action and -- and learn

from you. You have a depth of knowledge I will just

10 have to read through the minutes to really absorb, all

77 pages. And I look forward to hopefully meeting you

12 in real life. January, I'm coming to Nevada City for

13 the Wild & Scenic Festival. So --

MR. HARRIS: I'll see you there, for certain.

15 MS. MONTOYA: -- I will be there. I will see

16 you --

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17 MR. HARRIS: How wonderful. 18 MS. MONTOYA: -- in person.

19 MR. HARRIS: Great.

20 MS. MONTOYA: Thank you for everything --

21 MR. HARRIS: Thank you.

22 MS. MONTOYA: -- you do for California and the

23 arts.

24 MS. ESTRADA: And similar to me. Donn. This

25 is Vicki. I've -- I've only been on since July, and all

1 are just -- just tremendous. So we thank you so much

2 for all that you've done as a member of California Arts

Council.

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MR. HARRIS: Thank you very much, Lilia.

Thank you so much.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Staff, any comments?

7 Anne?

8 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: So I -- I know full well

9 that, Donn, you've always worn -- like, there's a

children's book where someone wears a stack of hats.

And yeah, you may be taking this particular hat off, but

you still have your stack of hats on. And I know that

-- that our paths will intersect over and over again,

and I'm really happy about that, as they did before I

even got -- when -- when I was a teacher and I wanted to

build a program just like OSA.

17 And from that point on, you have mentored me,

18 and we've used each other as a collective brain. And

it's -- it's -- it's something I value highly, and I

expect to keep on using you as part of my personal

21 collective brain and the way it can inform this agency.

So -- and I do know where you live now. So

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24 MR. HARRIS: You do --

25 (Cross talk.)

MR. HARRIS: -- any time.

MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Okay. So thank you for

all the service you've provided us.

MR. HARRIS: I'm so glad you're in the place

you're in. You're very good. Having all -- this whole

group at the helm, I think it -- the -- our Council is

in great hands.

8 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Thank you, sir.

9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna?

10 MS. KIBURI: Thank you.

11 I'm glad to get this opportunity to thank you,

Donn, for all of your hard work. I remember being at --

I think you had -- you were having a back issue, and you

came to a meeting. You flew all the way down to

15 wherever we were. I think it was in San Diego.

16 MR. HARRIS: San Diego.

17 MS. GALLEGOS: And you were tirelessly working

on the -- the area of work that you -- that you provide

to the Council. And you never sit down on the job.

20 You've always been determined, and you've always been

21 fair.

22 You come in with your perspective. But then

when you hear other perspectives, you are listening, and

you are incorporating that into the final decision. And

25 I find that to be extremely admirable, and I really

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1 I know is that you are the -- what you say. Your words 2 are amazing when you speak at -- at the Council. And I

3 can only hope that someday I'll be as impactful as you

4 have been to this Council. So I look forward to meeting

5 you, hopefully, in person as well.

6 MR. HARRIS: We shall. I'll be sure to come 7 to the meeting when you guys are back on the road.

8 MS. ESTRADA: Good.

9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Alex?

10 MR. ISRAEL: Thank you so much for your

service. I -- I wish we could have met in person. I

12 hope that one day we can. So ...

13 MR. HARRIS: Yes. Me, too.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I just -- Donn, you have 14

15 been such a solid member of the Council for such a long

16 time that, as a SLP, as a representative from the SLPs,

17 I have to thank you for being one of our greatest

18 champions. You have understood the role or SLPs, you

understood the Governor's intent in creating them, and

you have just done so much to help this partnership

21 work. And so thank you so much for that.

22 But as Chair of the Council, I just think that

23 there is so much more that you have brought to the

24 Council. Your wisdom, your thoughtfulness, your caring,

25 and passion for the arts and for the State of California

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1 appreciate working with you. I think you've always

- 2 identified that the staff is here to support the
- 3 Council. And you just come with the right ideas at the
- 4 right time. And I'm going to miss working with you.
- 5 I've really enjoyed it. Thank you so much.
- 6 MR. HARRIS: And Ayanna, I worked very closely
- 7 with you, and I enjoyed you the same way. You are open-
- 8 minded. You know, you know, you know. And you're
- 9 fierce. And then you know how to open up just like you
- 10 described me. So I think it was a good partnership
- 11 here.
- 12 MS. KIBURI: Thank you.
- 13 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kristin?
- 14 MS. MARGOLIS: Donn, I can't believe that
- 15 you're not going to be with us. I'm just -- I'm so
- 16 grateful for everything you've done. And I -- I love
- 17 what Ayanna said because it's true you have a wealth of
- 18 knowledge. You're also this amazing listener, and you
- 19 are so good at teamwork and you tirelessly work hard on
- 20 this Council. I mean, really, it's impressive. You --
- 21 you deserved a whole salary, okay? Two salaries -- I
- 22 don't know.
- So, so grateful to you, and I know you have a
- 24 million other things that you're working on because
- 25 that's who you are. And just know that we'll always be

- Chelo?
- 2 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. Kathy, you are a super,
- 3 super star equity warrior. I've been so honored to be
- 4 in service with you, you know, for this committee and to
- 5 see your work on the Council. Love the hairdos. And we
- 6 have to remind ourselves to take family portraits in
- 7 bobblehead form because we're not going to get these for
- 8 our tributes later. But yeah, it's been an honor. I
- 9 look forward to working with you in many other
- 10 capacities.
- 11 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. Thank you, Chelo. You
- 12 -- when you came on to the Equity Committee, I knew we
- 13 were in good hands. Thank you.
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Others?
- 15 MS. ESTRADA: Well, I just -- I don't know you
- 16 that well either, Kathy, yet. But I just know, like
- 17 Chelo said, you know, your commitment to equity, it's
- 18 always at the top of your agenda, and that -- that's
- 19 great. And -- but not just that, I mean, you -- you
- 20 bring a stability to the Council that I think is
- 21 important. You kind of bring everybody together, so
- 22 wait a minute, guys. What are we talking about? Let's
- 23 come back to -- to Earth here. And you have a way of
- 24 doing that in the few meetings that I've been involved
- 25 with. So thank you for all that. And hopefully, I'll

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- 1 thinking about you, and we will definitely be having you
- 2 in our ears with your advice and thinking about what you
- 3 would do. So thank you.
- 4 MR. HARRIS: Thank you, Kristin. Most
- 5 pleasure to work with you out of the whole staff I felt
- 6 that way about.
- 7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Thank you.
- 8 MR. HARRIS: Thank you, guys.
- 9 And when is -- when do you get me the little
- 10 tribute? Is it possible to get those photographs, the
- 11 stills, at least?
- 12 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Absolutely.
- 13 MR. HARRIS: Yeah, I'd love that. I love it.
- 14 Thank you, Wendy. Beautiful tribute. I
- 15 appreciate it.
- 16 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yes, thank you, Wendy.
- 17 And now --
- 18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Next?
- 19 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yeah. We have a video
- 20 tribute for Kathy.
- 21 (WHEREUPON, a slide show played.)
- 22 MS. ESTRADA: Yay.
- 23 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you. That was very nice.
- 24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Members, comments for
- 25 Kathy?

- 1 meet you some day as well.
 - 2 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. It was -- I was happy
 - 3 when I found out about your appointment. And I think
 - 4 you are going to be a real asset --
 - 5 MS. ESTRADA: Thank you.
 - 6 MS. GALLEGOS: -- you know, to the Council.
 - 7 MS. ESTRADA: Thanks.
 - 8 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Donn?
 - 9 MR. HARRIS: Yes. So Kathy, I've known you
 - 10 for eight years now. And I will say that your growth in
 - 11 those eight years is extremely consistent. And in fact,
 - 12 you are one of the most consistent people I've ever
 - 13 worked with that we always knew that when an issue came
 - 14 up that you would have a certain type of thought about
 - 15 it -- not that we could predict it, but that you give
 - 16 direction that made us really consider that direction.
 - 17 And all those times there was seven-to-two
 - 18 votes and eight-to-one votes when I was Chair, I would
 - 19 say that eight-to-one vote, that one person counts, the
 - 20 dissenting opinion counts. It's going to mean a lot
 - 21 later. And I think that became prophetic because you
 - 22 just stuck with it until, you know, you got what -- we
 - 3 sort of caught up with your ideas in some way, so great
 - 24 admiration for all of that.
 - 25 And how you managed to do that and keeping

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- 1 people on your team and on your side even -- even with
- 2 -- you know, any great Council should have an eight-to-
- 3 three vote or a six-to-five vote. That's the way it is
- 4 because people are thinking separately and
- 5 independently.
- 6 You're definitely an independent figure, and I
- think that really influenced the Council. You had
- enormous impact. And I know you probably didn't think
- that when you first started. I remember your first
- 10 couple of weeks you were kind of nervous about it. And
- you really blossomed. And it was great working with
- you, and you've had a lasting impact. And I think
- 13 everyone will agree with that.
- 14 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you, Donn. It was very
- 15 hard to be the eight-to-one -- to -- to one, to, you
- know, want to know what's -- what's going on. But it
- did change. It did change, you know, to -- to see 17
- 18 change out there.
- 19 MR. HARRIS: And that's a good -- I mean, it's
- a good lesson for all of us that -- that the dissenting 20
- 21 vote is super important. We're America. We have
- democracy. And democracy, everybody speaks. And
- 23 eventually, what's true comes to the forefront.

1 much for all you've done for the Council. It's

- 24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Alex?
- 25 MR. ISRAEL: Thank you. Again, thank you so

- 1 conference and coming up to you and saying, Kathy, I'd
- 2 like to serve on the Council.
- MS. GALLEGOS: I --
- MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: How do I do that? 4
- 5 MS. GALLEGOS: I remember that so clearly.
 - MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: And you were very
- helpful in helping me understand what I needed to do and
- what the role was. And I had the opportunity to serve
- with you.
- 10 I just recognize that the issues that you
- 11 champion are so important to the Council and so
- important to the State of California. There is --
- there's a demographic shift in our state, and to ignore
- it would be wrong. And you have made it possible for
- our Council to move forward in alignment with that shift
- and considering the needs of the end we serve. So thank
- 17 you so very much.
- 18 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you, Lilia. But we
- 19 actually met earlier, one of my very first meetings in
- 20 Fresno when you took me around. This was before the --
- 21 the Council meeting. You took me around Fresno and
- introduced me to some of the artists and some of the art
- 23 spaces and organizations in --
- 24 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That's right.
- 25 MS. GALLEGOS: -- in Fresno. That was really

1 wonderful. That was a real eyeopener on -- on what's

- 2 going on out there in California that, you know, I only
- 3 saw Los Angeles and a particular point of Los Angeles.
- 4 And you -- you -- you opened my eyes to other
- 5 communities. So -- so -- so thank you for it, for, you
- 6 know -- for the work that we did together.
- 7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Great. Staff?
- 8 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: So I think one of the
- things I miss the most during COVID, Kathy, is our
- ability to walk and talk.
- 11 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah.
- 12 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: You -- we would walk and
- 13 talk, you know. Oh, it's only a mile and a half to the
- 14 -- to the meeting. Let's walk together.
- 15 And even when we weren't walking in person, we
- were -- I would walk and talk with you on the -- on the
- phone because you're so incredibly mindful. And -- and
- it's -- it -- your mindfulness and the courage of your
- convictions, those two things, I think for me, are --
- define you more than anything and as well as your
- 21 kindness and your empathy.
- 22 And yeah, I'm -- as soon as I can, I'm getting
- back to Avenue 50. You know how much I love coming
- there. And I need to go back. And I -- I know there
- 25 was some things on the Instagram post that I should have

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4 I mean, it sounds like we're going to get there soon. 5 So I -- I'm looking forward to that.

2 inspiring. And it is fun to look at the slide shows and

3 see all of you gathering in person. And I hope we're --

6 MS. GALLEGOS: I think that's the biggest 7 thing that I miss. One of the biggest things that I

8 miss is being in person.

9 But Alex, I have to tell you. Somebody -- we

10 have a little -- we have a little library here.

11 Somebody brought us a book, and it's by you and another

gentleman. So --12

13 MR. ISRAEL: Oh, wow. Okay.

14 MS. GALLEGOS: And --

15 MR. ISRAEL: Cool.

MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. So I -- it -- I haven't 16

17 seen you in person, so I haven't been able to have you

autograph the book. 18

19 MR. ISRAEL: Oh, yeah. Okay. Well, any time,

20 I'm, yeah, happy to do it.

21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kathy, I feel like

22 Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz when she was going back to

23 Kansas and she had to say goodbye to the strawman. And

24 our relationship is longer than -- than my term on the

25 Council. And it's because I remember meeting you at a

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1 been at for that market that --

2 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. Yeah.

MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: But you're an amazing 3

4 community activist. You're quintessential. And thank

-- thank you for your friendship, and thank you for

6 everything you've done for this agency and will continue 7 to do.

8 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you, Anne. And it's --

thank you. It was a pleasure meeting you the very first

time. Do you remember that -- when I brought you a

plate of cookies? 11

12 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yes, ma'am.

13 MS. GALLEGOS: The State of California -- they

were in the shape of the State of California. 14

15 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: They were in the shape,

16 yes.

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17 MS. GALLEGOS: My friend made them.

18 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yes.

19 MS. GALLEGOS: I don't know how good they

were. I was -- I didn't have a chance to eat them. But 20

I -- I -- I brought a plate of cookies for your very 21

first meeting. 22

23 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: You did. It was in

24 Orange County, I think. It was -- it was (inaudible).

25 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah. And what I appreciated we should lay out those guidelines.

And I really appreciate your creativity. And

you've inspired me to -- to learn guitar. And I'm

actually learning the D chord right now.

5 MS. GALLEGOS: Oh, nice.

MS. KIBURI: And that's really -- I saw you

doing something, you know, new in your life. And

throughout the -- you know, creativity throughout the

life span -- that's what it represented for me. So I

took it up for myself. But I really appreciate

everything you've done on the Council. It's been a joy

12 to work with you and learn with you.

13 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you, Ayanna. Change --

change actually happened when -- when you came on board,

when you were hired, and we got on to the -- you got on

to the Equity Committee. We were -- you know, at that

time, we didn't know really what we were doing and what

direction we were going to go in. And we had long, long

discussions on race equity or equity, in general.

20 And -- and I -- I started to feel that my

21 voice was being heard when you listened to what I was

saying. And so I think that was when things started to

23 change, is when you came on board. So thank you for

24 coming on board.

25 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kristin?

MS. MARGOLIS: Kathy, I'm so sorry to see you

go. You know, we have had so many great meetings

because of you and with you and all the meetings tracing

through the capital where you were terrific and such a

valuable part of art and truly an arts, you know,

goddess. 6

And I -- it -- I have to say you have grown so

much from in the beginning days with Susan Steinhauser

and -- and all of that. And -- and what I appreciate so

much from you is your constant voice with regard to

equity, even back in those days. And I -- I still can

hear you. And you always came with such grace, and you

continue to do that. And we will really miss that.

14 And so I hope you're not a stranger. I plan

15 on coming down to the studio myself. And thank you so

much from the bottom of my heart for your service.

17 MS. GALLEGOS: Thank you.

18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. We -- we

certainly could go on and on for both of you because of

20 all the good work you've done. So again, thank you.

21 And now, moving right along, we have Council

22 committee updates. We're going to start with

23 Governance.

24 Israel -- or Alex? I'm sorry.

25 MR. ISRAEL: I don't really have much to say

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1 about you, Anne, was one I appreciate continually now,

4 I -- I appreciate that. Thank you.

3 or when I emailed you. You always return them. And so

2 is that you always returned my calls when I called you

MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: It's -- it's a pleasure.

6 And I will continue to return them.

7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Ayanna?

MS. KIBURI: Hi, Kathy. So I'm sorry to see you go in the sense of I feel like you're a quiet

10 warrior, you know, come in quiet, but you pack a punch.

11 And -- and you also check in to see how it's received,

12 you know, what it is that you're trying to do. You're

13 always questioning when there needs to be a question

raised. And you won't stop, you know, even if people talk over you (inaudible). Yes, I understand all that.

16 Thank you so much for that, and back to my point.

17 So I really respect you for that, and you've

made a lot of change, particularly around the -- the 18

area of equity. And I remember back in the time when we 19

were working together and we were still trying -- you

21 know, we were talking about what is equity, what's the

22 difference between equity and equality. I remember we

23 had a lot of -- a lot of long conversations about that.

24 So I've seen in evolution of understanding and

25 commitment even to what you were sharing today about how

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1 here. Do we have a memo that we've included in the --
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- MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: You do have a memo. 2
- 3 MR. ISRAEL: I mean, I can read the memo.
- 4 Yeah.
- 5 MS. MARGOLIS: Yes.
- 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes, that would be fine.
- 7 MS. MARGOLIS: Yeah.
- 8 MR. ISRAEL: Okay. Hold on one second. Can
- 9 we come back to -- to governance in one minute?
- 10 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Sure.
- 11 MS. MARGOLIS: I can just help you if you
- want, Alex. 12
- 13 MR. ISRAEL: Okay. Thanks, Kristin.
- 14 MS. MARGOLIS: No problem. No -- no worries
- 15 whatsoever.
- 16 Yeah. We just really wanted to share with you
- -- and -- and Jonathan is on this committee, too. He's 17
- not going to be back until 2:00. So I think Alex
- thought Jonathan was going to present, so no worries
- 20 there.
- 21 But essentially, we have four vacancies. And
- the Governor was going to make those appointments for
- 23 this meeting. But as you can see, that did not happen.
- 24 And -- but we have heard that -- that those appointments

And it's the goal of this Governance Committee

25 are going to be made very soon.

- 1 encourage you to share that -- to share that link. And
 - 2 -- or if you just run into people and you don't remember
 - 3 what the link is, you can always send them my way. And
 - I'm happy to -- to help them out in how to apply.
 - 5 MS. GALLEGOS: And it's also on that -- on
 - that -- and through Appointments, you can also send an
 - 7 email.

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- 8 MS. MARGOLIS: Right.
 - MS. GALLEGOS: Unfortunately, when it says,
- "What is this subject about," and a dropdown menu comes
- 11 down, there is no -- we have nothing for art.
- 12 MS. MARGOLIS: Yeah.
- 13 MS. GALLEGOS: So -- but I think it's
- important that, if you feel you have something to say to
- the Appointments secretary, that's the place to do it.
- 16 MS. MARGOLIS: That's right. And the same is
- 17 true for the speaker appointment and the pro tem
- appointment because those terms won't be up this next
- year, but they -- they will be up shortly. And the --
- those terms are ending for those members as well for the
- speaker. And so, you know, it's always important just 21
- to throw your name in the hat so people are aware that
- 23 there's an interest.
- MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Any other 24
- 25 thoughts or questions on that point?

- MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Hearing none, we'll move
- on to the Legislative Committee. Chelo? 3

(No audible response.)

- MS. MONTOYA: Kristin and I are going to tag-4
- team and double-duty with Equity Committee. 5
- 6 Kristin, do you want to kick it off? And then
- 7 l'II --
- 8 MS. MARGOLIS: Oh, no problem. And sure,
- 9 absolutely.
- 10 So you know, our Leg Committee is -- is Chelo
- and Jonathan. And they're wonderful, amazing. And
- Chelo has been this remarkable asset in that she's super
- connected to the speaker who appointed her, which is
- lovely, and he happens to be, you know, an incredible
- supporter of the arts as it is. In fact, he has himself
- on the direct committee on the arts.
- 17 And so we have had some meetings with the
- speaker to go over, actually, at this point now the
- entire roster of the legislature, both the assembly and,
- most recently, the Senate. And that's really to
- facilitate our ability to bring those legislative
- committee members in -- more in contact with members of
- the legislature just outside of working with me. And so
- 24 that's been an incredible opportunity.
- 25 And we're also going to be meeting with the --

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4 the Council by presenting that with our new members 5 being present. And so that's something that, in the new

6 year, the Governance Committee will be working on. 7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you.

2 to really put together the Council Handbook that helps

3 this Council to go forward, and we want to best support

- 8 I'm sorry, Alex. I didn't mean to put you on
- 9 the spot.
- 10 (Cross talk.)
- 11 MS. GALLEGOS: So you know, I just --
- 12 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But I --
- 13 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- could I -- I'm sorry.
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah. Go ahead.
- 15 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- I appreciate that you put
- down the website the Governor's Appointments Department
- because we -- we never had that in the past. And I
- think it's really important that we could -- that we all
- 19 bookmark that -- that -- that website because it's
- 20 important for us to -- to recommend to other people we
- think is a fit to apply as Councilmembers. And so thank
- 22 you for putting that in the -- in the memo.
- 23 MS. MARGOLIS: Absolutely. And I'm so glad
- 24 you pointed that out. I -- I didn't even think of that.
- 25 Thank you so much because, Councilmembers, we do always

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1 the Chair of the Joint Committee on the Arts on the

- 2 16th. That's Senator Allen. And I -- I know some of
- 3 you have met -- had the opportunity to meet him, along
- 4 with his Vice Chair, Quirk-Silva. And Assemblywoman
- with this vice offall, Quirk-oliva. And Assembly work
- 5 Quirk-Silva is -- is a huge champion of the arts as
- 6 well.
- 7 And so the two of them and, hopefully, a
- 8 couple others from the Joint Committee will be coming to
- 9 meet with us via Zoom in our -- in our bubbles, as -- as
- 10 Chelo said, the -- our bobbleheads. But we are excited
- 11 for that.
- 12 And we'll be having that meeting in December
- 13 prior to the Governor's January announcement of -- of
- 14 his version of the budget. And then we're going to have
- 15 another meeting following that January announcement to
- 16 kind of really shape where we think we can be most
- 17 effective moving any legislation forward in the new
- 18 session. And so that's kind of where we are with that.
- 19 And I know Jonathan has also reached out to
- 20 Vicki, who has so graciously offered to help us set up
- 21 the meeting with --
- 22 (Cross talk.)
- 23 MS. MARGOLIS: And -- and we really appreciate
- 24 that we want to support you in that, and -- and so huge
- 25 gratitude to you as well.

- 1 wasn't originally included in the book. And it is now.
- 2 The website's been updated with -- with this one-pager.
- 3 And this is a product of our Public Affairs Team, and
- 4 we're really grateful for this.
- 5 And it's -- you know, it's also in some ways a
- 6 living document that will change as the Council votes to
- 7 make different changes in what we're funding. And --
- 8 and in addition, you know, we're happy to distribute
- 9 other one-pager-type things to the legislature as it
- 10 comes forward. Chelo had mentioned perhaps having one
- 11 that talks about members or something along those lines.
- 12 And I think that would be kind of fabulous as well to
- 13 make that connection.
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Any questions of Chelo
- 15 and her committee?
- 16 MS. ESTRADA: I do have -- I'm sorry.
- 17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes, Vicki?
- 18 MS. ESTRADA: I've got to quit -- last
 - 9 meeting, I raised a question. And you had said -- or
- 20 Mr. Moscone had said that they're working on it when I
- 21 talked -- asked a question about the format of the
- 22 meetings in terms of actually not having the public
- 23 comment upfront and in the back and maybe having them
- 24 comment on each specific item. Is that being still
- 25 looked at, being worked on?

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- - 2 to the Governance Committee, which Jonathan is also a

MS. MONTOYA: I believe that is in reference

- 3 part of.
- 4 MS. ESTRADA: Oh, okay. I --
- 5 (Cross talk.)
- 6 MS. ESTRADA: -- two committees. I'm sorry.
- 7 This is --
- 8 (Cross talk.)
- 9 MS. ESTRADA: You're right. I'm sorry. It's
- 10 part of the Governance Committee. Or you can take over
- 11 the committee. Make it happen.
- 12 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kristin?
- 13 MS. MARGOLIS: I'm happy to try to answer your
- 14 question, though, Vicki, because I actually staff that
- 15 committee, too. Can you -- do you mind? I'm so sorry.
- 16 But I didn't totally get what you were saying. Do you
- 17 mind asking that again?
- 18 MS. ESTRADA: Sure. The way our meetings are
- 19 set up now, we have public comment upfront in the
- 20 morning, and we have public comment in the afternoon.
- 21 And typically, in most city councils or planning
- 22 commissions or even, you know, the -- the boards, the
- 23 arts commission that I was on in San Diego, you -- you
- 24 have upfront public comment, which is non-agenda item.
- 25 And then when you have an agenda item that comes up, the

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1 So Chelo, did you want to add any -- anything 2 else?

- 3 MS. MONTOYA: Yeah. I just want to add thank
- 4 you to the staff to support. This -- this year, the
- 5 Legislative Committee recommended to divide and try to
- 6 reach out to our legislators among our Councilmembers.
- $7\,$ You know, the pandemic was very challenging to do so in
- 8 -- in -- both in real life and in -- and in bobblehead
- 9 form. But we -- I was able to intercept many 10 legislators, and we're making appointments.
- 11 We did develop a one-pager to apprise
- 12 legislators of what we do and how to thus articulate
- 13 where we're at on initiatives such as the Creative Corps14 and -- and other areas we fund. And I think that we
- and and other areas we fund. This is think that we
- 15 were going to screen share that document so that we can
- 16 share that with you all.
- 17 So this is intended as the guide post for
- 18 those meetings. And -- and I would just hope that
- 19 whatever configuration of -- of the Legislative
- 20 Committee is next year, that they carry this out as part
- 21 of their efforts. We worked a great deal on -- on this
- 22 and hope we do get to meet many legislators and -- and
- 23 remind them how -- how this resource is so useful to the 24 -- to the state and to the arts.
- 25 MS. MARGOLIS: Yeah. And the memo actually

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1 staff makes a presentation. Then the -- the -- the

2 community gets to make a comment on that specific agenda

3 item, and then the Council will vote on it, and then so

4 on to -- for each item.

5 And he had -- he had said that that's

6 something that was being looked. So that would -- does

7 that make sense, the nature of the question? So that

8 way, we don't have to, you know, look at an item four

9 hours after somebody commented on it, and we can --

10 MS. MARGOLIS: Yeah.

11 MS. ESTRADA: -- specifically after that item.

12 That -- that was the question.

13 MS. MARGOLIS: Yeah. I really appreciate that

14 you brought that up. It is something that has been

15 discussed by staff for -- for quite a long time. And I

16 do think that that would be a good direction for us to

17 move.

18 The Governance Committee actually is something

19 that I -- I -- I hope at one point becomes kind of this

20 policy discussion -- much of a committee, but something

21 that's a working -- working meeting of the Council to

22 put together what they want it to look like, because

23 this is -- this document, this handbook, is really to

24 serve the whole Council.

25 And -- and any guidelines that come out in

1 mention under this item, because it is legislative in

2 nature for a different branch of government, Chelo was

3 in Fresno not too long ago. And I introduced her to

4 Congressman Costa, who is our representative at the

5 federal level. And we thank him for his support of the

6 National Endowment of the Arts, which you all know is a

7 significant source of revenue that comes to the

8 California (inaudible) as well. So that was another

9 branch of government, but also an opportunity to let the

10 CAC be known to our congressman.

11 MS. ESTRADA: And I am trying, by the way. I

12 -- I -- I guess as the Senate pro tem leader, she's a

13 little busier. I've been really trying to set up that

14 meeting. My apologies I've not been able to do that.

15 I'm still trying.

16 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes, Kristin?

17 MS. MARGOLIS: Oh, I just have a couple

18 things. First of all, Vicki, no apologies needed.

19 You're amazing. We're so grateful to you for anything.

20 And she is incredibly busy. We've always had, you know

21 -- you know, some -- some struggles meeting with a lot

22 of members. So that's just not uncommon at all. And

23 we're, again, very grateful.

And then also, I just wanted to point out two

25 other things, one with regard to the memo. You know, I,

1 that handbook, including what you're discussing, should

2 be things that the Council agrees upon. And -- and so,

3 yeah, I -- I do think that's a good idea, and I

4 certainly will share that back with Jonathan. And --

5 and I hope that going forward in this next year that we

6 have a working meeting with the whole Council on that7 handbook.

8 MS. ESTRADA: Thank you very much.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I just want to

10 appreciate the document that you just shared. And I'd

11 like to know if other Councilmembers can get them,

12 because sometimes when you -- a legislator that's home,

13 you can visit that legislator. This is something nice

14 to have in hand and share.

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15 MS. MONTOYA: It --

16 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes, Chelo?

17 MS. MONTOYA: It is in the book. I -- I

18 believe it has been updated. And so as I have done as

19 well, like, if I have a -- if I'm going to run into a

20 legislator, I'll bring that and try to chat it up. But

21 the hope is also that we duet Councilmembers so that we,

22 you know, introduce other Councilmembers to legislators

23 that you may know and -- and really try to -- to build

24 that community around the arts and their --

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I -- I'd also like to

1 aside from the Legislative Committee, you know, do meet

2 and have lots of conversations with members of the

3 legislature. And one of the things they always like to

4 bring in and will bring with -- with the meeting, too,

5 with our Legislative Committee is a list of constituents

6 that -- grantees that we happen to have in those given7 districts.

8 And so if any of you on the Council happen to

9 be meeting with a member of the legislature, I'm happy

10 to get that list as well, provided you give me just a

11 little bit of notice. And I think that that's something

12 they are super interested in. And it's kind of an

13 eyeopener. It's like, oh, my gosh. That's in my

14 backyard, and I'm voting to fund that and then just not

15 understand that.

16 And then the -- the second thing I

17 would add would just be that, you know, if you ever have

8 any meetings with members of the legislature and they

19 have questions that you just aren't sure about the

20 answer, please don't hesitate to say, you know, I'm just

21 going to check on that with staff and -- and get back.

22 And I -- if I don't know the answer, I'll try to find

23 the answer or research it, or whatever it is, and feed

24 that information back.

25 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Moving right

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1 along, the Equity Committee did have an extensive memo.

- 2 But I believe we discussed those issues during our
- 3 quidelines discussion. So unless there is something
- 4 pertinent that was overlooked, I think we can waive that
- 5 discussion.
- 6 Chelo?

7 MS. MONTOYA: I do want to just echo one of

- 8 the things -- well, let me back up.
- We were hoping that this equity memo would
- come before the vote. Unfortunately, it did not. We
- did cover most of the discussion. One thing that was
- 12 not covered was the -- the recommendation of the state-
- local partnership and how the Equity Committee is
- recommending to consider racial equity impact assessment
- 15 be integrated in -- in some form.
- 16 The reasoning behind that is that we're --
- 17 we're really kind of building capacity for the state-
- 18 local partner -- partnership with the California Arts
- Council at this moment. And we want to make sure that
- 20 it's -- it's a moment where we consider taking stock of
- 21 where we are. If we're going to grow, if we're going
- 22 to, you know, advance racial equity and all equity,
- 23 which we, you know, reflect in our -- our strategic
- 24 framework, then, hopefully, we can find a codified way
- 25 to integrate that in -- in -- in this checkpoint.

- 1 nobody's heard about what the idea was.
- So we needed for people to hear about an
- assessment tool, we need to discuss it, but in -- in
- relationship to the state-local partners. So I don't
- 5 know if that discussion should take place now or when we
- 6 talk about the state-local partners at our next meeting.
- Or do we get -- or do we get a red -- a green light to
- -- to -- to start working on a Decision Support Tool.
- But it's good to know at least we have a baseline
- understanding of what our state-local partners are all
- 11 about. So we want it to start from somewhere.
- 12 MR. MOSCONE: I -- I think it's very exciting.
- I -- I was -- started to study it as I was reading from
- your report last night when I went through the book. So
- I'm -- I think it's exciting, and I think it would be
- great if we could -- you can continue working on this so
- we can have a proper discussion with the support tool in
- 18 January.
- 19 MS. ESTRADA: Agree.
- 20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. So --
- 21 MS. MARGOLIS: And Ayanna had a --
- 22 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- action. Yeah.
- 23 Pardon?
- MS. MARGOLIS: Ayanna --24
- 25 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Oh, Ayanna.

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- 2 think that it's too late to register that in stone. But
- 3 I will, you know, further, you know, recommend that, you

So the guidelines have passed. So I -- I

- 4 know, it is encouraged that the SLPs and the partnership
- 5 work with CAC staff, particularly Katherin Canton, who's 6 our Race Equity Manager, I believe -- forgive me if the
- 7 title is wrong -- and -- and really try to build that
- 8 into their ecosystem.
- 9 They have set meetings. We don't want to add
- 10 a burden of, you know, more process, more time, more
- 11 things. But -- but perhaps we can do a better job of
- 12 integrating into their systems so that we start to -- to
- 13 see capacity building as a practice.
- 14 So that would be -- that was part of the
- 15 discussion. I -- I'd love to hear a few other
- Councilmembers' thoughts on -- on that advisement. We
- didn't produce a Decision Support Tool because we -- we
- felt that maybe there are other ways or things that we
- 19 should be considering, you know, with this regard. So
- 20 that was -- that was the main discussion item I think we
- 21 were not able to cover.
- 22 MS. GALLEGOS: I think the -- one -- one --
- 23 also, one of the other reasons we didn't do a Decision
- 24 Support Tool was because we -- we had just thought of it
- 25 a few weeks ago. And -- and the field hasn't heard --

- MS. KIBURI: Yeah. I just want to make sure I
 - understand what you're disagreeing on because the
 - message that we received earlier from the Council that
 - we're going to go back to the SLP guidelines and make --
 - make a couple of edits -- or not -- I'm sorry -- bring
 - new data sets so you can decide about the 250,000.
 - That's for General Ops. I apologize.
 - (Inaudible) we are -- so you all want us to --
 - are you agreeing that we should put the assessment into
 - the guidelines, or is this just a discussion that will
 - happen at the committee level?
 - MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: This is a discussion 12
 - that can happen when we -- well, there's two -- two
 - possibilities. One is that the Equity -- Equity
 - Committee go through the process of a Decision Support
 - Tool to make this recommendation that it be introduced
 - into the guidelines for SLPs. That's one piece. But
 - the fact that the SLP guidelines were not adopted today
 - and will not be adopted until January, this
 - recommendation could just move anywhere, and we could
 - 21 include it as part of the guidelines when we have that
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 - 23 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. So we will seek to run
 - the tool in the meantime and provide that for the
 - 25 January meeting. Is that the process?

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1 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes. Yes. And I would

- 2 -- I would encourage that because I -- in preparation
- 3 for today's discussion, I did take a look at the Racial
- 4 Equity Impact Assessment that we have in our book, and
- 4 Equity impact Assessment that we have in our book,
- 5 it really is -- you know, it -- it -- it's very open-
- 6 ended. And so there might be some specific items that
- 7 we lead with if we're going to have this be a tool
- 8 that's used and -- and that it be vetted a little
- 9 further because it doesn't really specify what and when
- 10 to do. It just provides examples of how it was used.
- 11 MS. KIBURI: So would -- so would the clarity
- 12 by that -- or my clarity is that the Equity Committee
- 13 take this time between now and January and complete a
- 14 Decision Support Tool for this idea of the assessment.
- 15 And then we -- but -- but to -- at the meeting in
- 16 January, we are actually approving the guideline. So I
- 17 guess you would approve the guidelines with the
- 18 discussion --
- 19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: With an inclusion.
- 20 MS. KIBURI: Inclusion. Okay. So it would be
- 21 -- be a vote to make edits if you all decide to adopt.
- 22 Okay. I get it. Thank you.
- 23 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Right. Right. But it
- 24 -- I'm -- I'm looking at it right now, and it has 10 --
- 25 10 points.

- 1 to talk about it in the public meeting after
 - 2 (inaudible).
 - 3 MS. MONTOYA: Yeah. So if there are
 - 4 recommendations, I, again, encourage the discussion to
 - 5 happen now so that we could take the tool, run the
 - 6 course of the tool.
 - 7 Does this add a lot more pressure to the SLPs
 - 8 to conduct this meanwhile launching this program? How
 - 9 can we make it so that it's integrated as a practice and
 - 10 -- and not a burden, but yet something that -- that
 - 11 moves everything forward, you know?
 - 12 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yeah, I -- I would say
 - 13 that, because much of what we're doing around the equity
 - 14 and -- you know, fortunately, I got to serve with Kathy
 - 15 on the Equity Committee my first year on the Council and
 - 16 move forward the issue of the racial equity statements
 - 17 as a requirement. And then this year, we're now
 - 18 (inaudible) organizations to give us a little more meat
 - 19 on those bones and to give us more information about
 - 20 what they're doing.
 - 21 The same would be true with this racial equity
 - 22 assessment. I would say that look at maybe the first
 - 23 four criteria. Ask that SLPs integrate those into
 - 24 (inaudible). And as they move forward, then they would
 - 25 go on to some of the others, and we would grow it

- 1 FEMALE SPEAKER: You're muted, Lilia.
- 2 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Sorry. I'm looking at
- 3 the tool right now, and it does have -- the assessment
- 4 guide really just provides examples of how the tool was 5 used. And then it has 10 points that can be considered.
- 6 But they're also rather vague, and so we would need some
- 7 specificity so that the SLPs could know exactly what the
- 8 expectation is.
- 9 MS. KIBURI: Okay.
- 10 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Any other issues
- 11 related to that point?
- 12 MS. GALLEGOS: I have a question. So --
- 13 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
- 14 MS. GALLEGOS: -- can other Councilmembers
- 15 give us suggestions or ideas? Or is that, you know --
- 16 so that, you know, like -- like what you just did right
- 17 now, you -- you opened it up and said it's a little bit
- 18 vague here and there and -- and it's -- it's open to
- 19 interpretation. So I'm wondering if other
- 20 Councilmembers, after reading it, have ideas that can be
- 21 incorporated.
- 22 MS. MONTOYA: I believe this -- oh, Ayanna.
- 23 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah.
- 24 MS. KIBURI: Absolutely. I'm -- I'm hoping
- 25 absolutely this is the time to do it. This is the time

- 1 because this is -- like so many other issues, it becomes
 - 2 automatic once you're used to doing it. But until
 - 3 you're used to doing it, it's burdensome. And so it
 - 4 just adds another -- another thing for people to have to
 - 5 do. So if they can move into it gradually, it's -- it's
 - 6 not as challenging.
 - 7 MS. MONTOYA: Thank you.
 - 8 Final thoughts?
 - 9 (No audible response.)
 - 10 MS. MONTOYA: Okay. We'll run -- run the tool
 - 11 from here. Thank you, everyone.
 - 12 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Great. Thank you.
 - 13 Okay. Moving on to item 13, Allocations
 - 14 Committee recommendations for Individual Artists
 - 15 Fellowship awards. Kathy?
 - 16 MS. GALLEGOS: Okay. Give me a minute to pull
 - 17 up the memo.
 - 18 Okay. This memo should be in your handbook.
 - 19 The Programs Allocation Committee recommends that the
 - 20 Council approve four additional 2022 Individual Artists
 - 21 Fellowship awards in the amount of \$25,000 based on the
 - 22 funding formula.
 - 23 Okay. A little bit of a background, the
 - 24 funding allocations for Individual Artists Fellowships
 - 25 was approved by the Council at our last meeting. At

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1 that meeting, staff discovered a technical error that

- 2 disadvantaged a small percentage of applicants that --
- 3 that were not initially adjudicated. Staff identified
- 4 those applications, and they were adjudicated and
- 5 ranked. And just to let you know, they were ranked in
- 6 the same way as the previous fellowship awards. Staff
- 7 -- staff used the same panel and the same review.
- 8 The recommendations for the Allocation
- 9 Committee recommends that four artists from the Emerging
- 10 Tier, three from Emerging and one from the Established,
- 11 per the formula detailed in the attached allocations
- 12 spreadsheet.
- 13 Okay. Give me a minute here.
- 14 So if you look at the spreadsheet, you have
- 15 the applicant's name, the fellowship tier, the grant
- 16 amount requested, the average ranking, the recommended
- 17 award. And we could look down to the legacy. We had
- 18 none in the Legacy.
- 19 If we look to the next tier, the Established
- 20 Tier, this is the grant amount. This is the rank -- is
- 21 their ranking, and we have one from -- one recommended
- 22 award from the Established.
- And moving on to the third, the Emerging, you
- 24 see that three -- three artists were recommended from
- 25 that pool. None of the Legacy artists received a

- 1 don't know where these artists --
 - MS. ESTRADA: Oh, you don't even know.
 - 3 MS. GALLEGOS: No. We -- and -- and we didn't
 - 4 get that information at the last meeting either.
 - 5 MS. ESTRADA: Okay.
 - MS. GALLEGOS: So we -- we have no idea. But
- 7 it's something that I -- I think is very important. We
- 8 should know where these artists are coming from because
- 9 we want to make sure that we have equity across
- 10 California in -- in -- in all our counties.
 - MS. ESTRADA: Yeah.
- 12 MS. GALLEGOS: So (inaudible) in the future,
- 13 we need to have another column that says what county
- 14 they're coming from.
- 15 MS. ESTRADA: That's why I asked the question.
- 16 Thank you, Kathy.
- 17 MR. MOSCONE: Well, that -- I was -- I would
- 18 trust that the -- the -- the program -- the --
- 19 the individual artists partnership with SLPs will move
- 20 -- help us move in that direction. So I -- I think -- I
- 21 mean, you're right. I -- I think we're -- it's great.
- 22 It's like that's exactly right, and this is the way to
- 23 do it.

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- 24 So I -- I think it's great. I thought it was
- 25 thoughtful. I think whenever you make a miscalculation

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- 1 ranking of 5-point -- 5.9 or above, which meant they
- 2 didn't move on to the next level of the -- the -- the
- 3 interview, the -- the video interview. So they -- there
- 4 were no finalists. That's why there were no finalists
- 5 in the Legacy Tier.
- 6 So I -- I think this is a voting item.
- 7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
- 8 MS. GALLEGOS: It's a voting item. So we're
- $9\,\,$ -- we're recommending that these four artists be
- 10 recommended for an award.
- 11 MS. ESTRADA: Okay. I'll make that motion to
- 12 approve that. And then I -- we'll have discussion
- 13 afterwards, yeah, Lilia?
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
- 15 FEMALE SPEAKER: I second it.
- 16 MR. MOSCONE: I -- I'll second. I'm sorry.
- 17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: We have a motion and a
- 18 second. And now discussion. Questions?
- 19 MS. ESTRADA: I do have a question. My hand
- 20 is up. Can you give me some idea where the four artists
- 21 are located, what part of the state they are?
- 22 MS. GALLEGOS: That -- that's a good question.
- 23 We did not. And -- and in the last -- when -- when we
- 24 -- when we talked about the last set of artists, that
- 25 was not part of the tiers, of the -- the columns. We

- 1 and it's in service of giving more money to artists,
 - 2 that's a miscalculation we can all get behind, is my
 - 3 opinion. So I think it's wonderful.
 - 4 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah --
 - 5 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: I think if we -- yeah,
 - 6 if we missed something, we need to catch up and fix it.
 - 7 And this is what we're doing here. So they'll -- it's a
 - 8 minor error, and now we're going to fix it.
 - 9 So Kathy, you had a point?
 - 10 MS. GALLEGOS: I was just going -- going to
 - 11 reinforce what Jonathan said about our state locals and
 - 12 having them choose their artists since they know what --
 - 13 you know, who's in their community.
 - 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. If there are no
 - 15 other issues, call the question.
 - 16 MS. MARGOLIS: Estrada?
 - 17 MS. ESTRADA: Yes.
 - 18 MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?
 - 19 MS. EVANS: Yes.
 - 20 MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?
 - 21 MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.
 - 22 MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?
 - 23 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.
 - 24 MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone?
 - 25 MR. MOSCONE: Yes.

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MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?

- 2 MR. ISRAEL: Yes.
- 3 MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya?
- 4 MS. MONTOYA: Yes.
- 5 MS. MARGOLIS: The motion passes.
- 6 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you.
- 7 All right. Now, moving right along, we have
- 8 public comment again. And I think -- where is that?
- 9 Kristin, I don't have the --
- 10 MS. MARGOLIS: That's -- I got it.
- 11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
- 12 MS. MARGOLIS: I got it.
- 13 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: We're on public comment.
- 14 Okay.

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- 15 MS. MARGOLIS: Thank you, Lilia.
- 16 So we're grateful for everybody for joining
- 17 today. And I'm just going to take a moment right now to
- 18 explain the process for public comment. This is our
- 19 second public comment period of this meeting and the
- 20 final. We've had -- always have two opportunities at
- 21 this point.
- We encourage your comments to be relevant to
- 23 the discussion at hand today, although comments may be
- 24 on any topic within the Council's purview. Comments are
- 25 not responded to by Councilmembers.

- 1 if an individual has not responded to their call to
- 2 comment, we will move on. Should you miss your call to
- 3 speak or be kicked out of Zoom with connectivity issues,
- 4 you may rejoin the queue and will be given a new
- 5 position in line. You can also submit a written public
- 6 comment.
- 7 Thank you so much. And let's see who is in
- 8 the queue.
- 9 MS. ESTRADA: Nobody.
- 10 MS. MARGOLIS: There is nobody. You're right,
- 11 Vicki.

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- 12 So let's just give it a minute. Let's see if
- 13 anybody wants to comment. They just think that the
- 14 Council's doing amazing work and ...
- 15 MS. ESTRADA: Or -- or we -- or we could -- we
- 16 could call on people.
- 17 MR. MOSCONE: Just call -- just call them up
- 18 on the phone and ask them to say a few words?
 - MS. MARGOLIS: Right.
- 20 MR. MOSCONE: Is that what you mean, Vicki?
- 21 MS. MARGOLIS: So what do you think?
- 22 MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.
- 23 MS. MARGOLIS: Well, we want to thank you all
- 24 who are coming just to watch the meeting. And -- and,
- 25 again, if you -- if you would like to submit written

- 1 If you wish to speak and you're joining us
- 2 today via Zoom on your computer or mobile device, you
- 3 can show your intent to comment by selecting the Raise
- 4 Hand option in the Zoom toolbar at the bottom of your
- 5 screen now. If you're joining us by calling in and you6 wish to comment, pressing star 9 now on your phone's
- 7 keypad will indicate that your hand is raised.
- B Each individual who wishes to speak will be
- 9 added to the queue in the order that each hand was
- 10 raised. If you're unable to -- to do so, or don't wish
- 11 to speak during public comment, you may submit a written
- 12 comment through the form available on our website up
- 13 until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.
- 14 Each speaker will be given two minutes to
- 15 comment. When it is your turn, I will call you by your
- 16 name as it is listed or by the last four digits of your
- 17 phone number. Web and app users will then receive a
- 18 prompt to take themselves off mute and begin speaking.
- 19 The timer will start once you begin talking.
- 20 Please pay attention to your remaining time on
- 21 the screen. And if you have a visual impairment that
- 22 may prevent you from clearly viewing the screen, we ask
- 23 that you self-identify, and I will certainly help by
- 24 giving you an indication when you have 20 seconds left.
- 25 After a reasonable amount of time has passed,

- 1 public comment, we welcome you to do so up until 10:00
- 2 a.m. tomorrow morning. Thank you so much.
- 3 Back to you, Lilia.
- 4 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Great. Thank
- 5 you.
- 6 Well, that's going to move us a little faster
- 7 so we can (inaudible) that.
- 8 But now Jodie Evans is going to walk us
- 9 through the Council nominations and elections for
- 10 Council Chair and Vice Chair.
- 11 Jodie?
- 12 MS. EVANS: Thank you.
- 13 So I'm going to start with asking for a
- 14 nomination for a motion for Chair. And self-nominations
- 15 are acceptable.
- 16 MS. GALLEGOS: You want a motion for -- that I
- 17 -- what's the motion you're looking for?
- 18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That's the nomination.
- 19 FEMALE SPEAKER: For Chair.
- 20 MS. EVANS: The nomination for Chair.
- 21 MS. GALLEGOS: I'd like to nominate Lilia
- 22 Chavez.
- MS. EVANS: Do we have other nominations?
- 24 MS. ESTRADA: Well, you need -- you need --
- 25 you need a second?

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1	MS. EVANS: No, we don't. We just I'm	1	only nomination, so I will accept the nomination.	
	I'm just giving it a minute for any other nominations	2	MS. EVANS: Thank you so much.	
	before I give the the person nominated an an	3	And so now can we move to a vote, Kristin?	
4	opportunity to remove themselves. And then I'll call	4	MS. MARGOLIS: Absolutely.	
5	for a vote.	5	Okay. Estrada?	
6	MS. MARGOLIS: Or to accept the nomination.	6	MS. ESTRADA: Yes.	
7	MS. EVANS: Or to accept the nomination.	7	MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?	
8	Thank you.	8	MS. EVANS: Yes.	
9	All right. So nobody else is creating a	9	MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?	
10		10	MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.	
11	Lilia, will you accept the nomination?	11	MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?	
12		12	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.	
13	MS. EVANS: Thank you for not hesitating too	13	MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone?	
	long.	14	MR. MOSCONE: Yes.	
15	And so call for a vote.	15	MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?	
16	MS. MARGOLIS: Estrada?	16	(No audible response.)	
17	MS. ESTRADA: Yes.	17	MR. ISRAEL: Israel?	
18	MS. MARGOLIS: Evans?	18	MR. ISRAEL: Sorry. I keep I have to	
19	MS. EVANS: Yes.	19	·	
20	MS. MARGOLIS: Gallegos?	20	MS. MARGOLIS: Montoya?	
21	MS. GALLEGOS: Yes.	21	MS. MONTOYA: Yes. Thank you.	
22	MS. MARGOLIS: Gonzales-Chavez?	22	MS. MARGOLIS: Congratulations, Chelo.	
23	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yes.	23	MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Yay.	
24	MS. MARGOLIS: Moscone?	24	MS. EVANS: So so our new officers are our	
25	MR. MOSCONE: Yes.	25	continuing Chair, Lilia. And our new Vice Chair is	
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1		1	Chelo. So thank you for that process	149
1 2	MS. MARGOLIS: Israel?		Chelo. So thank you for that process.	149
2	MS. MARGOLIS: Israel? MR. ISRAEL: Yes.	2	I move it back to you, Lilia.	
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1 if I could recommend the Center of California, which is

- 2 where Lilia and I are both from, Central Valley, San
- Joaquin Valley.
- 4 MS. ESTRADA: I like it.
- 5 MS. MONTOYA: And to continue that practice
- 6 every meeting, possibly.
- 7 MS. ESTRADA: You don't need a motion for
- 8 that; do you?
- 9 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Good idea. No, just --
- 10 MS. GALLEGOS: It's an item.
- 11 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- for future agenda
- 12 item.
- 13 MS. ESTRADA: Yeah. I like it.
- 14 (Cross talk.)
- 15 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: -- nothing for our
- pictured memorial.
- 17 MS. GALLEGOS: Are we going to try to be
- 18 together soon? Is that effort underway or ...
- 19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: In February, it's --
- 20 that's the hope. But in February, we can be together.
- And we thought it was going to be December and then 21
- January. And that question really is for staff. 22
- 23 Is that possible to at least schedule
- 24 something in February?
- 25 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: I think that -- I think

- MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Well, we thought it was
 - March, and I found out yesterday it might be end of

 - January. So it's kind of moving target. I don't even
 - know if we ...
 - 5 MS. GALLEGOS: Is that going to interfere with
 - anything on the Council, any meetings?
 - MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: I -- I will let you know.
 - 8 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- at this point, I'm -- I'm
 - -- I'm close to saying anyone has a truck and wants to
 - help me move with classic bumper stickers. No, you
 - 11 can't use my truck to move, but yeah.
 - 12 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Call Meathead Movers.
 - 13 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- it should be fine. It
 - 14 should be fine. Okay. Yeah.
 - 15 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Any other issues that
 - 16 people would like to bring forward for future agenda
 - 17 items?
 - 18 MS. GALLEGOS: I -- I would just like to point
 - 19 out that -- that we have recommended that, at least at
 - this -- at this -- at this agenda item, we list what the
 - 21 past future -- what the past recommendation were for
 - future items, and we're still not listing them there.
 - So I mean, they're kind of being forgotten because we've
 - 24 raised them and they haven't been -- we don't -- we
 - 25 don't know if they're been -- they've been taken care of
- 151 153
- 1 we'd like to -- some time to work on the whole calendar
- 2 since we have -- we have two grant seasons opening in
- 3 one year. So I'd like a beat for us to look at what
- 4 that cycle looks like for next year before we, you know,
- 5 just say right here that -- what date in February would
- 6 be correct, so I think land -- it -- which is how we
- 7 landed on the January meeting in our Exec Committee
- 8 meeting. You know, when -- when do we need to have a
- 9 January meeting in order to get, you know, the
- 10 guidelines out the door. And so I -- I'd rather not do
- the February meeting right now, you know.
- 12 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay.
- 13 MS. GALLEGOS: So --
- 14 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: So in January, we will
- 15 have a tentative timeline of dates that we're planning
- to have meetings. Yes. Okay. That would be extremely
- 17 helpful.
- 18 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Yes.
- 19 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Kathy?
- 20 MS. GALLEGOS: So when do you have to be --
- when will you be in the new office? What's the deadline 21
- 22 to be in the new office?
- 23 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Oh, for us to be in the
- 24 new office?
- 25 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah.

- 1 or not. So again, I would --
 - MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Good point.
 - 3 MS. GALLEGOS: -- recommend that we have a --
 - we list what the recommend -- what the future
 - recommendations, discussions, are on this -- on this --
 - 6 on this point --
 - 7 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: And that'll --
 - 8 MR. MOSCONE: Yes. I --
 - MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: -- in Executive Committee 9
 - when we start to build the agenda for the next -- for
 - the next meeting. So ...
 - 12 MR. MOSCONE: Thank you for that reminder,
 - which Kathy, you've now given two to three times. But I
 - -- I do want to second that. And maybe something to
 - think about in Executive is -- because we did this a
 - time before with the doctor that we have a time that's
 - set aside for an issue. That isn't necessarily a voting
 - item or something, and we just talk about it so that we
 - start to build because I think it's hard that you have
 - to build a little bit of the relationships while we are learning about each other because we have such a slower
 - 22 learning curve about each other in Zoom land.
 - 23 If we can organize the meetings to have some
 - 24 time dedicated just for a topic that neither has an
 - 25 action or an outcome other than learning, that would be

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1 great. That would be very compelling to me to -- for us

2 not to feel like we have to make a decision or that we

always --

4 MS. GALLEGOS: So how do you want that listed

5 under future agenda items? How would you like it --

6 MR. MOSCONE: I would like an agenda item to

be that the agendas change. I -- I don't know if that

-- I don't -- I think I'm just throwing that on top of

what Anne said around how the Executive Committee can

10 think about how to structure the, you know, ideas that

people come up with in -- in this section of our

12 meetings. How do we structure using them? Do we set up

13 a time? Is it built into the agendas of -- of the

14 meetings to have these kinds of conversations along the

lines of the listings of things that you brought up that

-- that haven't yet been done?

17 MS. GALLEGOS: And -- and what about --

18 MR. MOSCONE: It's more of a -- sorry.

19 MS. GALLEGOS: I didn't mean to step on your

toes -- on your words rather than your toes. I don't 20

21 know where your toes are.

1 something doable?

22 But Vicki brought up, you know, the idea of

23 public comment before each agenda -- voting item. And

24 is -- is that -- should that be on the future agenda

25 items? Or how do we continue discussing whether that's

MS. MONTOYA: -- preliminary Decision Support

Tool that we can --

3 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah.

MS. MONTOYA: -- flush out with you all and

the California audience.

6 MS. GALLEGOS: I think that's a great --

7 MS. MONTOYA: How about that?

8 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah.

MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: That sounds fun.

10 All right. Hearing nothing else and no hand

11 -- seeing no hands, Kathy, in memoriam.

12 MS. GALLEGOS: Let me pull up what I wrote

13 here.

14 Okay. Gosh, I'm sorry. I don't have -- come

prepared with sharing images of the three people I'm

going to speak about today. But I'd like to close our

December '21 Council meeting with a tribute to three

18 California artists and culture bearers.

19 Mort Sahl, 1927-2021, influential standup

20 comedian. In the early '50s, comedy was evolving from

21 its vaudevillian roots. Sahl pioneered a conversational

style of comedy laced with politics that influenced

23 future generations of comedians. He would appear on

24 stage with a newspaper, sit on a stool, and then proceed

25 to do mostly improvised and unscripted political satire

1 and -- satire and -- and comedy of the day.

Some of those who were great influenced by

Sahl were Woody Allen and John Cleese, and also

President Kennedy, who asked Sahl to write political

jokes for him.

6 He also recorded the first modern comedy

album. He was so popular in the '60s that he was a

punchline in the comic strip Peanuts. He continued

doing standup well into his '90s and died at his home in

Mill Valley, the age of 94.

11 Ricarlo Flanagan, 1980-1921, standup comedian,

actor, and rapper. Ricarlo was best known for his

appearances on TV's Last Comic Standing and Shameless

shows. He discovered his love of standup after he took

a comedy class that he saw advertised on a flier in Ann

Arbor, Michigan. I thought that was really interesting

17 to show you -- show us the power of just a simple flier

getting outward in the community. 18

19 Ricarlo also dabbled in rap. In a song called

20 Revolution that he released last year, he rapped about

police brutality saying we've got to mobilized. I'm --

22 I'm tired of seeing my brother on the ground with his

23 face pinned down.

24 Ricarlo also -- Ricarlo contracted COVID. And

25 on October 1st, he tweeted, "This COVID is no joke. I

2 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Well, I -- I think, first 3 and foremost, that's in the Governance Committee zone of what -- the last thing that you said, Kathy. And Jonathan, in -- in order to respond from a 6 staff perspective to what you said, I -- I heartily 7 agree with you, and I second that. And I think that 8 part of what has happened in the past year and a half --9 no, it's almost two years now -- is that we have been 10 responding to very, very urgent critical situations and 11 have had jam-packed agendas that haven't left us the "thought partner" -- haven't left -- left us that -that leisure, that grace in agendas to just really discuss or left you the time to discuss. And I -- and I -- I look forward to getting back to that, too. This will be in just future agenda items now. 18 So thank you for saying that.

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12 leisure to really -- oh, I use the -- the phrase

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19 MS. MONTOYA: I think the last -- if you don't 20 mind me adding, Lilia -- the last meeting we had where

we did a live decision support-making tool was really

22 robust. I think that gave -- allowed us some

conversation that maybe that practice can be integrated

24 more. So maybe Kathy and I can work on --

25 MS. GALLEGOS: Yeah.

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1 don't wish this on anybody." He died about a week later 2 in his adopted home, Los Angeles. He was 41.

3 Our third and final tribute is for someone who

4 died in December of 2020. But because of his

5 significant impact, I felt we should honor him today.

6 Marshall McKay, 1952-2020; Chairman Emeritus, Autry

7 Museum of the American West.

8 McKay, of Pomo-Wintun heritage, was a former

chair of the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. He is known for

10 his role in going to tribes' landholdings in Yolo

11 County. He was a founding member of the nonprofit

12 Native -- Native Arts & Culture Foundation, a member of

13 the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate

14 Change, a board member of the UC Davis Foundation, and a

15 board member of the National Museum of American Indian

16 in Washington, D.C. He also served on the California

17 Native American Heritage Commission.

18 And I only work on the California Arts

19 Council. I don't know how he did all this.

20 McKay was the first indigenous board chair of

21 the Autry Museum of the American West, helping to shape

22 the museum's approach to telling indigenous histories

23 and narratives. His mother, Mabel McKay, was a basket

24 weaver who educated on the customs and culture of

25 California Native Americans.

1 that live.

2 And -- and secondly, I just want to let folks

3 know that the -- the people who have their -- had their

4 grants canceled were sent eight reminders from our --

5 our -- our staff about having missed a deadline. There

6 was, you know, get your final paperwork in, final

7 paperwork in, final paperwork in. It was done very

8 conscientiously by staff and very mindful and with a

9 fair process and a timeline and that we -- we did need

10 to eventually cut it off.

11 But what -- I would be glad to keep this on a

12 future agenda item, if you need to, and go through that

13 process with you again and with the -- the whole

14 Council. But I was -- I was pleased with the way the

15 staff handled this. And it was -- it done in a very

16 fair-minded manner.

17 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Anything else

18 from anyone?

19 (No audible response.)

20 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: No? Okay. If there's

21 nothing else for the good order, this meeting is

22 adjourned. Thank you all.

23 MR. MOSCONE: Thank you, Lilia.

24 (WHEREUPON, the meeting was concluded at 2:44

25 p.m.)

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1 Marshall McKay died in Los Angeles from

2 complications due to COVID. He was 68.

3 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Thank you, Kathy.

4 Chelo, you're going to have to pick up that

5 banner in -- in memoriam as Vice Chair.

6 MS. MONTOYA: Okay.

7 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: But did you have a

8 comment to make?

9 MS. MONTOYA: I wanted to start that today. I

10 also wanted to acknowledge the late Jacqueline Avant,

11 who recently passed -- or recently passed, prominent

12 philanthropist for the arts. Her husband also is --

13 they're deeply rooted in the music industry. And she

14 was also a LACMA docent, and -- and that, as well, just

15 as many people as she was able to reach through her --

16 her love and support for the arts. So I -- I wanted to

17 acknowledge her.

18 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Great.

19 Any others?

20 (No audible response.)

21 MS. GONZALES-CHAVEZ: Okay. Anne?

22 MS. BROWN-CRAWFORD: Two things. One, I think

23 that we should get back to a tradition of putting at

24 least in a list form the folks that we are honoring in

25 -- in memoriam and then, of course, continue adding to

TAB D

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Policy Memorandum

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Date: January 5, 2022

To: California Arts Council Members

From: Equity Committee- Katherine Gallegos and Chelo Montoya

Re: Equity Committee Update

The Equity Committee met several times last month to discuss ways that the Council can continue to emphasize racial equity in grant programming.

The Equity Committee proposes that the Council requires all current SLP grantees to participate in a 9-month long racial equity impact assessment. The intention of the assessment, subsequent analysis, and findings is to better assess the capacity of the SLP grantees in progressing racial equity in the arts within their respective county.

In order for this to be a requirement for each funded SLP for 2022, participation in this assessment will need to be edited in the SLP guidelines that will be approved at this Council meeting. CAC staff and the equity committee will provide support to conduct this assessment. Any costs incurred for the assessment will be funded by the total allocation to the SLP grantee for 2022. There is no allocation change in this proposal.

The SLP final report requirements will include the outcomes of the assessment. This assessment process could lead to a more demographically inclusive arts community. Potential questions to be asked and explored through the assessment include:

- 1. **Stakeholders and leadership:** How do you uphold racial equity with respect to your stakeholders and leadership? What do you need to do, what policies do you have to have in place to create a more demographically inclusive arts community?
- 2. **Benefit or burden:** How will racially underserved communities benefit or be burdened from this inclusion? How and why will they be burdened? Does the burden preclude moving forward?
- 3. Advance opportunities and minimize harm: What strategies will create greater racial equity? Are they realistic? Who will be positively affected and why? Who will be negatively affected and why? How do we minimize harm as best we can?
- 4. **Raise awareness, evaluate**: How will evaluation of the progress towards raising racial equity within the dominant community and racially underserved communities take place?
- 5. Accountability: Who is your SLP accountable to?

Attached is the Decision Support Tool that we completed as a tool to help our discussion and final decision.



Tier 1: Basic Capacity

Clearly state the desired action and its high-level expected benefit:

Upon review of the SLP equity statements submitted in the 2020 grant cycle the Equity Committee has identified an opportunity to build upon our partnership by establishing a threshold for mutual partnership expectations and identify areas CAC can support the advancement of equity leading with racial equity.

The Equity Committee would like to implement a 9-month Racial Equity Impact Assessment on the SLPs receiving grants in the 2022 cycle.

We would like this to be included as a requirement in the SLP guidelines https://view.publitas.com/ca-arts-council/california-arts-council-strategic-framework/page/68-69

What is the desired timeline for this action?

The action should be initiated upon the start of the upcoming 2022 grant cycle for SLPs receiving funds. It should be completed and submitted along with the final grant report.

What is required to fully support this action – staffing, partners, and funding?

CAC Equity Committee commits to reviewing statements and setting goals for achieving a base threshold for SLP partnership expectations with regard to racial equity

The Council will need to review the assessment findings during the next SLP Guideline development process

CAC staff (including the Race and Equity Manager) can provide time to develop/facilitate a training workshop and provide technical assistance to support the Equity Committee's actions. Staff can use a train-the-trainer model to increase interested Council member and SLP grantee skills and confidence in

conducting racial equity impact assessments.

Funding is not required other than staff time/human resources
Are all three available during the desired timeline? □ No X Yes
Is there an opportunity to acquire staffing, partners, and/or funding? ☐ No X Yes
Any costs incurred for the assessment will be funded by the total allocation to the SLP grantee for 2022. There is no allocation change in this proposal.
Additional investment can be made by SLPs using external resources.
Is there a lesser priority from which staff, partners, and/or funding can be redirected? X No □ Yes
If the timeline is adjusted, will staffing, partners, and/or funding be available? X No □ Yes



If the timeline is adjusted, will there be an adverse impact? ☐ No X Yes

We will miss the opportunity to capture the baseline status of equity across SLPs at a critical moment where investment is being made in this partnership.

From where can resources of staffing, partners and/or funding be redirected to cause a lesser impact?

Tier 2: Public Input and Impact

Who is expected to benefit from this action?

BIPOC and intersectional disadvantaged communities will benefit. This action is to progress racial equity and inclusion across SPS.

What might be the unintended consequences/drawbacks from this action?

This may be a new process SLPs will need to give time to which may add additional work and effort. In some cases it may duplicate existing efforts.

Has there been an opportunity for input on this action from:

• Those potentially impacted in the field? □ No X □ Yes

• Those potentially impacted as community members? X □ No □ Yes

• Council, staff, partners, funders (specifically, to what extent are other funders involved in meeting this need), elected officials? □ No X □ Yes

At the local level, does this action:

• Promote ownership? □ No X □ Yes

• Build capacity? □ No X □ Yes

• Align with CAC values? □ No X □ Yes

Beyond the local level, does this action:

• Leverage resources? □ No X □ Yes

• Cultivate partnership? □ No X □ Yes

• Grow awareness of the CAC? □ No X □ Yes

• Address root causes of inequity? □ No X □ Yes

• Instill faith in government transparency, accountability, and stewardship? ☐ No X ☐ Yes



● Align with or expand on the priorities of the Governor and the State of California? ☐ No X ☐ Yes
● Demonstrate innovation? □ No X □ Yes
 Position the CAC as a national or international leader? ☐ No X ☐ Yes
Tier 3: Equity Alignment
Has research been conducted to identify best practices for racial equity? ☐ No X ☐ Yes Refer to citations included in Equity Committee reports in 2021.
If it is appropriate to conduct a Racial Equity Impact Assessment (see Appendix C), what is the timeline and staffing?
Will this action disadvantage:
● Small organizations? X □ No □ Yes
● Certain regions of the state? X □ No □ Yes
 Potential beneficiaries with disabilities? X □ No □ Yes
● Potential beneficiaries who communicate in languages other than English? X □ No □ Yes
● Potential beneficiaries who face social stigma, trauma, and/or safety concerns? X □ No □ Yes
$ullet$ Potential beneficiaries with fewer technological resources and/or expertise? X \square No \square Yes
Tier 4: Council Process
Prior to calling for a vote:
 Was the item open for discussion at a prior Council meeting? ☐ No X ☐ Yes
$ullet$ Were Council members able to forward their unresolved questions or concerns to the appropriate committee for research and recommendations? \Box No X \Box Yes
 Were those unresolved questions or concerns considered at a committee meeting that was open to the public? X □ No □ Yes These considerations will be presented at the January 5, 2022, meeting for discussion.
 Was a public input period offered online or through alternative means for those who could not access a meeting? □ No X □ Yes



Tier 5: Post-Decision Considerations

For this action, what is the Council's role?

Advancing the inclusion of the Racial Equity Assessment requirement in the upcoming 2022 grant cycle. Equity committee will participate by providing input and guidance throughout the Racial Equity Assessment process.

For this action, what is staff's role? Is there a committee or working group to which this action should be assigned or that should be created? □ No X□ Yes

Staff involved in the equity committee will provide training and support to SLPs and to council members involved in this process.

Communication

Once the decision has been made,	decide how the decision	n and progress on	the action (if
applicable) will be communicated to) :		

- Those potentially impacted in the field □ No X □ Yes
 SLPs to be notified upon the publication of the 2022 guidelines.
- Those potentially impacted as community members □ No X □ Yes
- Council, staff, partners, funders, elected officials ☐ No ☐ Yes

Evaluation

How will we know if the expected benefit is achieved?

How will we know if anyone is better off?

How will the public be engaged in evaluative efforts?

What are the key benchmarks that would indicate satisfactory progress on this action?

What is the reporting mechanism for progress?

What is the support mechanism if progress is stalled?

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Memorandum

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Date: January 5, 2022

To: All Council Members

From: Programs Policy Committee - Lilia Gonzáles Chávez and Jodie Evans

Re: 2022 SLP and Gen Ops Guideline Revisions

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to share data requested by Council at the December meeting regarding Total Operating Revenue (TOR) of applicants and grantees in the 2021 funding cycle, as well as demographic data of 2020 grantees' boards and staffs by TOR, in order to guide Council's decision about funding threshold for the General Operating Relief (Gen Ops) grant program.

Additionally, this memo highlights adjustments to the language of the State-Local Partner (SLP) guidelines regarding collaboration on the Individual Artist Fellowship (INA) program and additional allocation of funds to administer the Poetry Out Loud program.

Background

At the December meeting, Council voted on guidelines for 2022 Grants Cycle A. Council voted to table both the SLP and Gen Ops guidelines for further research and analysis, to be finalized at the January meeting.

The primary question for the Gen Ops guidelines was the TOR threshold for eligible organizations. In 2021, Council voted to prioritize organizations with TORs of under \$250k in many of its programs. This resulted in these small organizations representing 57% of all applicants and 81% of all grantees in that cycle (see 2021 TOR and Demographic Analysis, attached). In order for applicants to have a clearer sense of those grant programs in which they would most likely be successful, Council voted to lift the prioritization in all grant programs except Gen Ops, and to institute a TOR restriction in that program. Council requested data on the 2021 TOR breakdown and 2020 demographic analysis in order to discern whether \$250k remains an appropriate threshold for this restriction.

Council tabled the SLP guidelines in recognition that the 2022 allocations approval had not included a separate line item to fund SLP's administration of the Poetry Out Loud program, as it typically has in the past. A number of the SLPs also raised concerns about the language in the draft guidelines regarding collaboration on the INA program. Staff met with the SLP cohort in a Zoom dialogue session later in December to hear concerns, ideas, and opportunities about how this collaboration might be most effectively implemented.

Recommendations

SLP Guidelines - Individual Artist Fellowship (INA) Collaboration and Poetry Out Loud Funds Recognizing that only the SLP (not the INA) guidelines need to be approved at the January 5 meeting, the Committee recommends the following:

- Revise language in the SLP guidelines regarding the requirement of partnership on the INA program: "Beginning in 2022, SLPs will also collaborate with the CAC on implementing its Individual Artists Fellowship program by nominating 10 artists from their counties to be considered for those awards. The SLPs will also support those artists in preparing and submitting their applications to the CAC for adjudication."
- Convene artists for listening session(s) to give feedback and input on INA guidelines to be released in April
- Continue conversation with SLP cohort on ideal mechanism for collaboration on this program

Additionally, the Committee recommends that the maximum request amount for SLPs be \$65,000 (vs. \$60,000) in order to fund their administration of the Poetry Out Loud program at a level consistent with the past year.

Gen Ops Total Operating Revenue Threshold

- In reviewing the TOR data of applicants and grantees in 2021, and the overlay of Final Report demographic data, there do not appear to be data points that would compel Council to shift its prioritization of funding for small arts organizations. Since this strategy was only just piloted in the most recent funding cycle, the Committee recommends maintaining the current TOR threshold for Gen Ops application eligibility.
- The Committee has directed staff to collect data over the next two years on the
 outcomes of these targeted investments, specifically what small organizations were able
 to build and sustain as a result of CAC funds. These more robust data sets will give
 Council a fuller sense of the impact of this funding strategy, and how and whether it
 might be adjusted.





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Background & Purpose

The **State-Local Partnership** (SLP) program provides general operating support and technical assistance for county-designated **local arts agencies**. The purpose of the program is to foster cultural development on the local level through a partnership between the State and the counties of California. The nature of this partnership includes funding, information exchange, cooperative activities, and leadership. The partnership enables individuals, organizations, and communities to create, present, and preserve the arts of all cultures to enrich the quality of life for all Californians.

A **local arts agency** is defined as the official county-designated organization that supports arts and cultural activity in service to individuals and communities throughout an entire county. Local arts agencies provide financial support, services, or other programming to a variety of arts organizations, individual artists, and the community. A local arts agency can be an agency of local government, a nonprofit organization, or a hybrid of the two.

The CAC's Strategic Framework, adopted in 2019, indicates a number of aspirational areas regarding the agency's relationship with its SLPs:

- State-Local Partner Funding
 - Action: Conduct a review to determine a timeline and process for increasing the amount of funding granted to the SLPs. This timeline should include a detailed process for assessment, capacity building, bolstered support, and compliance checks, as well as a plan for establishing participation by and benefits for all 58 counties.
 - Root Cause Rationale: This action will acknowledge the ability of SLPs to understand and respond to their local needs. In addition, financially committing to building capacity at the local level will position SLPs to have more control, ownership, responsibility, and a deepened connection to the CAC.
- State-Local Partner Capacity Building
 - Action: Increase technical assistance and training to SLPs that meets the unique needs of each organization, as identified by research and evaluation. Ensure that SLP contracts are written to require adherence to

- key CAC policies and expectations, clearly outlining the role of the statecounty partnership. Develop strategies to align SLP priorities with the priorities of the CAC, while allowing for flexibility and self-determination. Support the development and implementation of local plans that result in consistent quality and equity of service across counties.
- Root Cause Rationale: The state's arts and creativity infrastructure should be strong at every level. The larger emphasis on funding the SLPs should be accompanied by a larger emphasis on requirements and support to align the SLPs with the CAC's stated values. Explore tools to support values alignment, such as requiring local plans to state how these values will be operationalized. Include attention to root causes such as implicit bias and lack of representation on boards. By developing trainings of trainers at the local level, along with the expectation that SLPs engage in this process with their grantees, there will be a rippling effect with those who ultimately receive CAC funds and are recruited to serve on CAC panels.

The Council voted to increase the annual maximum request amount for the SLP grant to \$60,000 as a first step in supporting these aspirational areas.

State-Local Partners serve as **Poetry Out Loud** partners and will receive financial support of \$5,000 through this grant program to facilitate an annual Poetry Out Loud program throughout their county either through direct programming or in partnership with another local organization/agency. Poetry Out Loud funds will not be based on panel ranking.

Beginning in 2022, SLPs will also collaborate with the CAC on implementing its Individual Artists Fellowship program. The SLPs will also support those artists in preparing and submitting their applications to the CAC for adjudication. This collaboration will help address another aspirational area of the Strategic Framework regarding geographic equity:

- Geographic Equity
 - Action: Explore how to best address grantmaking equity for the disparate regions of the state. Utilize data analysis to assess present-day regional disparities among CAC grantees. Seek guidance from existing funding models that address how to identify and give preference to disadvantaged communities.
 - Root Cause Rationale: There are varying degrees of arts and culture infrastructure throughout the state, based on historic and current variations in investment and other factors, so a one-size fits-all approach to funding regionally will perpetuate existing inequities. Geographic locations with fewer resources will benefit more by gaining greater access to CAC resources.

Program Goals

Projects should address the following State-Local Partnership program goals:

- Support the work of local arts agencies in fostering the countywide arts and cultural ecosystem.
- Provide funds to address priorities identified at the local level in alignment with State-Local Partnership program requirements.
- Promote race equity in programming and services for artists, arts organizations, communities, cultures, and creative practices throughout each county with a designated State-Local Partnership.
- Serve every county in the state through a designated State-Local Partner in each county.

Program Requirements

- Funding for general operating support is awarded as a contract between the State-Local Partner grantee and the California Arts Council. State-Local Partner grantees will be expected to:
 - Maintain an accessible public office operated by, at minimum, one fulltime staff member. In unique situations, exceptions can be made.
 - Reflect a commitment to include and represent the communities to be served.
 - Attend CAC convening(s) (if applicable).
 - Host meetings for the CAC as needed.
 - Promote CAC grant opportunities, workshops, and other resources to county constituents.
 - Collect demographic and other identifier data on the individual artists, organizations, and community members that are served and supported by their activities and programming, and the existing gaps in service to specific communities. These data will be included in the Final Report at the end of the grant period.
 - Participate in cooperative information gathering and programming when deemed to be mutually beneficial by both the CAC and the local arts agency.
 - o Participate in program evaluation.
- The applicant must complete general operating support activities aligned with the program's purpose by June 30, 2023.
- All activities to be funded by the CAC must occur within the two-year Grant Activity Period (see Timeline).
- Proposals must address how the applicant organization:
 - Provides access to diverse art forms that facilitate public participation
 - Offers programs and services that include and support the cultural diversity and traditional arts of the entire county

- Facilitates an annual Poetry Out Loud program in partnership with the CAC through either direct programming or in partnership with another local organization/agency
- Collaborate with the CAC to implement the Individual Artists Fellowship program and support those individuals in preparing and submitting their applications.
- Proposals should explain how the applicant organization achieves <u>at least</u> two of following local arts agency activities or services:
 - Engage in community development through the arts or contribute to creative placemaking activities
 - Conduct cultural assessment and planning that encourages input from community members
 - Foster local and regional partnerships and collaboration through convenings or other means
 - Provide stewardship of a community's art collection(s)
 - Engage in programs that promote arts advocacy efforts at the local, state, or national level
 - Provide and/or support arts learning (preK-12, adult education, creative aging, etc.)
 - Manage a public art program
 - Produce or present programs such as festivals, community theatre, concerts, literary events, workshops, etc.
 - o Grant or provide financial support to cultural organizations or artists
 - Facilitate economic development efforts that support the creative economy through arts industries
 - Manage one or more cultural facilities in the county
 - Provide public relations or marketing services for State-Local Partner arts programs and/or services, and for other arts and cultural activities in the county
- Rates of compensation for individual artists and/or arts workers to be supported by this grant must be appropriate to experience and comparable to fees for other local skilled workers.
- All CAC-funded programs, services, information, and facilities where funded activities take place must be accessible for individuals with disabilities, including but not limited to individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, have difficulty speaking, have a physical disability, visual disability, developmental disability, learning disability, mental illness or chronic illness. Please see Page 3: Requirements for more information.

Applicant Organization Eligibility

- Applicant organization must be designated by their County Board of Supervisors to serve as the State-Local Partner in the county.
 - o Multi-county Partnerships: Partnerships that serve multiple counties

may be eligible to apply. A Multi-county Partnership must be designated as the State-Local Partner by the county Board of Supervisors in all counties represented. Funding is prorated based on the number of counties in the partnership. Multi-county Partnership applicants must give evidence of service and program equity to all participating counties.

- Applicant Organizations using Fiscal sponsors An applicant organization that is non-profit innature but without nonprofit status must use a California-based fiscal sponsor with a federal 501(c)(3) designation to apply for funding. For-profit businesses and individuals may not use a Fiscal Sponsor to apply to CAC organizational grants. Types of applicant organizations eligible to apply using a Fiscal Sponsor include, but are not limited to, artist collectives, guilds,and 501(c)6 organizations.
 - A Letter of Agreement between the fiscal sponsor and the applicant organization<u>must be signed by a representative from both parties</u> and submitted with the application. A blank signature field will not be accepted. If a grant is awarded, the fiscal sponsor becomes the legal contract holder with the California Arts Council.
 - The fiscal sponsor may be changed during the Grant Activity Period on a case-by-case basis.
 - Fiscal sponsors must have a minimum two-year history of consistent engagement in arts programming and/or services prior to the application deadline.(Acting as a fiscal sponsor to arts and cultural organizations is considered an arts service.) See additional information on the use of <u>CAC</u> <u>fiscal sponsors</u>.

Applicant Requirements

- California-based Documentation of having a principal place of business in California.
- Arts programming Applicants must have a minimum two-year history of consistent engagement in arts programming and/or services prior to the application deadline.
- Racial Equity Statement Description of the organization's commitment to equitable policies and culture.
- Certificate of good standing Nonprofit organizations and fiscal sponsors
 (if applicable) must have "active status" with the California Secretary of
 State (SOS) showing evidence of "good standing" at the time of application.
 You can verify your organization's status by conducting a search using the
 SOS online <u>Business Search</u> tool. An indication of "active" (versus
 "suspended," "dissolved," "cancelled," etc.) confirms that your nonprofit
 corporation exists, is authorized to conduct business in theState of
 California, has met all licensing and corporation requirements, and has not
 received a suspension from the Franchise Tax Board.

Request Amounts

Applicant organizations can request up to \$65,000 (inclusive of Poetry Out Loud funding).

Funding Restrictions

- Statewide and Regional Networks, Cultural Pathways, and General Operating Support for Arts and Culture Organizations grantees are not eligible for State-Local Partner support in the same fiscal year.
- Applicants to this program are not restricted from applying for and receiving additional CAC project grants.

Matching Funds

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Appendix A: Resources for Applicants

Grantee Requirements

Awarded grantees must comply with all requirements as stipulated in the grant agreement, including but not limited to the following:

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- **Final report -** Provide a final report summarizing grant-funded activities and accomplishments within 30 days of the end of the grant activity period. Grantees that do not submit reports by the posted deadlines may jeopardize their organization's opportunity for future funding from the CAC.
- California Model Agreement (AB20) and indirect costs In order to comply
 with AB20 requirements, University of California and California State University
 grantees are required to secure an indirect cost waiver from the Regents of the
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What We Do Not Fund

Click here to review the list of activities and expenses that CAC does not fund.

• In-kind Matching Funds

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• Sample Fiscal Sponsor Letter of Agreement

Definition of Signature

Appeals Process

Before requesting an appeal, check that your request qualifies by reading the following. Appeals are only granted if:

- a. Panel's assessment was based on a misstatement of factual information in theapplication that negatively influenced the panel's recommendation; and/or
- b. Incorrect processing of the required application material, which negatively influenced the panel's recommendation.

Dissatisfaction with award denial or award amount does not qualify for appeal.

Request an official Appeal Form by emailing the CAC Program Specialist listed on your grant notification letter.

Fill out official Appeal Form and email or postmark to the contact listed on the form within 45 days of grant notification.





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Grant Awards: Up to \$30,000

Estimated Total Number of Grant Awards: 429

Grant Activity Period:

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Total Operating Revenue: Eligible applicants must be at or below \$250,000.

Matching funds: This program requires a 1:1 match of award funds.

Apply at: <u>calartscouncil.smartsimple.com</u>



The California Arts Council's Strategic Framework prioritizes racial equity and broad geographic reach into communities of all sizes and needs. Recent data and community input demonstrate the need for greater access to general operations funding in support of maintaining California arts and cultural organizations during this uncertain time.

The Arts & Cultural Organizations General Operating Relief grant program intends to provide relief funding to arts and cultural organizations who have experienced economic hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This grant supports the well-being of California's cultural vitality by helping sustain a robust and diverse arts workforce and infrastructure. **Funds may be used to support any eligible expenses associated with the general operations of an arts or cultural organization, including but not limited to rent, utilities, and staff salaries.** Applying for this grant does not restrict an organization from applying for other CAC project-based grants. General Operating grants are intended to support the applicant organization in carrying out its mission. Funding is *not* intended to support a specific project.

Arts Organizations Defined

An arts and cultural organization are defined as an entity with a primary purpose of providing arts, creative, or cultural programming/services. Assessed by CAC staff, this purpose is determined by the organization's mission, purpose statement, and/or by its summary of coreorganizational programs and services.

Ineligible Organizations

- Organizations applying for the CAC's Statewide and Regional Networks,
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- Public and private colleges and universities
- K-12 school districts



- County Offices of Education
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Eligible Organizations

- 501(c)(3) organization as applicant or fiscal sponsor Non-governmental applicant organizations must demonstrate proof of nonprofit status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or section 23701d of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.
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 - A fiscal sponsor change is not permissible during the grant activity period with rare exceptions.
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Applicant requirements

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Request Amounts

Applicant organizations can request up to \$30,000.

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For the CAC, racial equity is a continual practice in listening, learning, and implementing. The CAC's Racial Equity Statement demonstrates a deeper commitment for us to do better for the field and our staff.

Funding: The CAC is a state agency, funded from the state's annual budget process and proceeds from the California Arts License Plate and the Keep Arts in Schools tax return voluntary contribution fund, supplemented by funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. Its grants are often matched by foundations, individuals, earned income, government agencies, in-kind contributions, or other organizations.

Information Access: Due to the Public Records and Open Meeting Acts, applications and their attachments are not confidential and may be requested by the media and/or public. Meeting dates and locations are posted at www.arts.ca.gov. Observers may attend but may not participate in, or in any way interfere with, Council meetings. Each meeting provides a designated time for public comment, although comments may be time-limited.

Grant Process: Applications are evaluated by panels of recognized field representatives who rank applications according to program criteria. The CAC staff provides information but not recommendations to the panel. The Council reviews panel recommendations before making final funding decisions. CAC staff is responsible for grant contract administration after Council approval. In dire or unexpected circumstances, the CAC reserves the right to make exceptions to any policy or procedure on a case-by-case basis.

Requirements: The CAC provides grant funding to individual artists and is mandated both by federal and state regulations to fund arts organizations that have proof of nonprofit status under sec. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (Fiscal Receivers are eligible in some programs), or under sec. 23701d of the California Revenue and Taxations Code, or entities that are a unit of government; and that comply with the Civil Rights Acts of 1964, as amended; sec. 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988; California Government Code secs. 11135-11139.5 (barring discrimination); the Fair Labor Standards Act, as defined by the Secretary of Labor in part 505 of title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulation; the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"); the Fair Employment and Housing Act; and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996.

Ownership, Copyrights, Royalties, Credit: The CAC does not claim ownership, copyrights, royalties, or other claim to artwork produced as a result of a CAC grant. However, the CAC reserves the right to reproduce and use such material for official, noncommercial purpose, including but not limited to use on the CAC website, social media and print materials. In addition, the CAC requires documentation of grants activity and appropriate credit for CAC partial support.

Appendix A: Resources for Applicants

Grantee Requirements

Awarded grantees must comply with all requirements as stipulated in the grant agreement, including but not limited to the following:

- Complete contract documents Upon notification of grant award, complete all required contract documents in order to receive grant payment. Contract documents must be received by the CAC within 60 days of issuance or the grant funding may be revoked.
- Payee Data Record Each awarded organization or fiscal sponsor (if applicable)
 must complete, sign, and submit an STD 204 Payee Data Record as a required
 contract document before grant funds can be released.
- Consistent activities Carry out activities consistent with the original proposal summary statement and the intent of the application as approved for funding, including in instances where the grant award may be less that the original request amount.
- Approval for changes Programming activities must be completed as proposed.
 Changes must be proposed in advance and require prior written approval from CAC staff. Requests for changes are considered on a case-by-case basis.
- **Use of CAC logo** Use of the CAC logo is required on <u>all</u> printed and electronic materials and websites (programs, catalogs, postcards, posters, newsletters, leaflets, publications, etc.) that specifically reference this grant.
- CAC acknowledgement The following acknowledgement of CAC funding is required on <u>all</u> printed and electronic materials: "This activity is funded in part by the California Arts Council, a state agency."
- **Final report -** Provide a final report summarizing grant-funded activities and accomplishments within 30 days of the end of the grant activity period. Grantees that do not submit reports by the posted deadlines may jeopardize their organization's opportunity for future funding from the CAC.
- California Model Agreement (AB20) and indirect costs In order to comply
 with AB20 requirements, University of California and California State University
 grantees are required to secure an indirect cost waiver from the Regents of the
 University of California or the Board of Trustees of the California State University.

What We Do Not Fund

Click here to review the list of activities and expenses that CAC does not fund.

• In-kind Matching Funds

Click here for additional information on CAC in-kind contributions.

Sample Fiscal Sponsor Letter of Agreement

• Definition of Signature

Appeals Process

Before requesting an appeal, check that your request qualifies by reading the following. Appeals are only granted if:

- a. Panel's assessment was based on a misstatement of factual information in theapplication that negatively influenced the panel's recommendation; and/or
- b. Incorrect processing of the required application material, which negativelyinfluenced the panel's recommendation.

Dissatisfaction with award denial or award amount does not qualify for appeal.

Request an official Appeal Form by emailing the CAC Program Specialist listed on your grant notification letter.

Fill out official Appeal Form and email or postmark to the contact listed on the form within 45 days of grant notification.

TAB F

California Arts Council | Public Meeting | 1/5/2022



Strengthening arts, culture, and creative expression as the tools to cultivate a better California for all.

Gavin Newsom, Governor
Anne Bown-Crawford, Executive Director
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To: Council Members

From: Legislative Committee, Chelo Montoya & Jonathan Moscone

Date: **January 5, 2022**

Re: Wrapping up 2021 and setting the stage for the 2022 legislative session

In furtherance of its the goal to meet with members of the legislature to apprise the legislature on the work of the Council and how this work and our grant programs impact their constituency, the Legislative Committee met with members of the Joint Committee on the Arts (JCA) on December 16, 2021. The JCA legislators in attendance included Senator Ben Allen (Chair), Assemblyperson Laura Friedman, and Assemblyperson Richard Bloom. Council and staff reviewed the one-page overview document shared with the Council at the December 7th meeting. This provided the legislators and attending legislative staff with a snapshot of the work being done by the Council to serve their constituents. The JCA was interested in what the Council's budget will look like after the release of the Governor's 2022-23 budget on January 10th and pledged to support the Council during the upcoming legislative session. In addition, the JCA would like to have a meeting with Council following the release of the January budget to discuss any items impacting the CAC's budget how they can best support any items placed by the Governor in his 2022-23 budget proposal.

On December 27th, Speaker Anthony Rendon publicly announced his appointment of Assemblyperson Tasha Boerner-Horvath as the new Chair of the Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media Committee (AEST&IM). As Chair of the AEST&IM Committee, Assemblyperson Boerner-Hovarth will also be the Vice-Chair of the Joint Committee on the Arts. It is the goal of the Legislative Committee to meet with our new Chair this month to begin discussions of how we can work together during this upcoming legislative session.

TAB G

California Arts Council | Public Meeting | 1/5/2022



Memorandum

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Date: January 5, 2022

To: All Council Members

From: Anne Bown-Crawford, Executive Director

Re: Update on the California Creative Corps Pilot Program Development

The Creative Corps Council Committee, Vicki Estrada and Chelo Montoya, met in late November to discuss the strategies outlined in the December Corps update. It was decided that the committee would wait to meet again until after the regional and statewide panels had been held, and they had been able to observe the process of guideline development. After that the committee will bring their observations back to the Council.

All Council members have been offered the opportunity to observe the region meetings. There is still availability in meetings for Council members to attend, although they did begin this week. Please contact Anne if you would like to attend one of the remaining meetings. The timing of these meetings follows:

Regional Meetings:

Bay Area: Mondays, 1pm-2:30pm (1/3 and 1/10)

Capital Area: Tuesdays, 10am-11:30am (1/4 and 1/11)

Central Coast: Tuesdays, 1pm-2:30 (1/4 and 1/11)

Central Valley: Wednesdays, 10am-11:30am (1/5 and 1/12)

Far South: Wednesdays, 1pm-2:30pm (1/5 and 1/12)

Inland Empire: Thursdays, 10am-11:30am (1/6 and 1/13)

South: Thursdays, 1pm-2:30pm (1/6 and 1/13)

Upstate: Fridays, 10am-11:30am (1/7 and 1/14)

The committee members will represent Council at the two statewide meetings:

Tuesday, 1/18/22, 1:00pm to 2:30pm and

Wednesday, 1/19/22, 1:00pm to 2:30pm

As a reminder, below is the overall timeline for the project.

Timeline:

October-November 2021: CAC staff begins recruitment of Panel via a survey shared via social media, etc; Council and staff will be invited to reach out through their networks to encourage self-nominations.

December 2021: Community Program Development Panelists are notified, confirmed, agreements signed.

January 2022: Community Program Development Panel convenes to draft program guidelines and to discuss marketing and outreach.

Week One--January 3-7: Eight Regional groups convene (1.5 hours)

Week Two--January 10-14: Eight Regional groups convene (1.5 hours)

Week Three--January 17-21: Two Statewide group convenes (1.5 hours)

December-January: Managers will provide draft of program guidelines, including incorporating recommendations from the statewide groups. Members from the statewide group will review the final draft of the guidelines edited by staff.

January 15, 2022: Program guidelines and applications are released to the field.

January 15 - February 28, 2022: CAC staff markets the funding opportunity and provides technical assistance to potential applicants. Staff recruits panelists to adjudicate applications.

March 1, 2022: Deadline for all applications.

March, 2022: CAC staff screens applications for eligibility. Staff facilitates the panel process, including applicant interviews and/or site visits, and identifies administering organizations.

April 1, 2022: Administering organizations are announced and contracts are awarded.

April 1, 2022 - March 30, 2024: Grant activity period. CAC provides ongoing support to administering organizations, particularly through marketing and media engagement of project activities.

March 30, 2023: Interim progress report due from administering organizations.

April - June 2023: Staff conducts interim program evaluation.

April 30, 2024: Final report due from the administering organizations.

May 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024: Staff conducts full pilot program evaluation.

September-October 2024: Creative Corps Convening with Corps artists and Community Panelists