

**ATTACHMENT B**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024- 84**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CITY COUNCIL POLICY I-10 (FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CULTURE AND ARTS) INCLUDING RE-TITLING AS CITY COUNCIL POLICY I-10 (CULTURE AND ARTS GRANTS)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newport Beach (“City”) is governed, in part, by its Charter, Municipal Code, and adopted City Council Policies;

**WHEREAS**, City Council Policy I-10 (Financial Support for Culture and Arts) (“Policy”) provides guidelines for the City’s role in financially sponsoring art and cultural events within the City of Newport Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Arts Commission reviewed the Policy and recommends revisions to align with current practices of administering the Policy, eliminate outdated methods of execution, and reduce unnecessary language where applicable.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Newport Beach resolves as follows:

**Section 1:** The City Council does hereby re-title City Council Policy I-10 (Culture and Arts Grants) and further amends it as set forth in Exhibit “A,” which is incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2:** All prior versions of City Council Policy I-10 are hereby repealed.

**Section 3:** The recitals provided in this resolution are true and correct and are incorporated into the operative part of this resolution.

**Section 4:** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this resolution. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**Section 5:** The City Council finds the adoption of this resolution is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

**Section 6:** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting the resolution.


**ADOPTED** this 12th day of November, 2024.

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Will O'Neill  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Leilani I. Brown  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

  
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Aaron C. Harp  
City Attorney

Attachment(s):      Exhibit A – City Council Policy I-10 (Culture and Arts Grants)

## CULTURE AND ARTS GRANTS

The City Council hereby recognizes the importance of promoting culture and the arts within Newport Beach. Pursuant to City Council Policy A-12, the City budget specifically allows the City Council to direct revenue towards worthy projects and programs which the City Council deems beneficial to the quality of life for Newport Beach's residents. A number of individuals and groups have been organized with the express purpose of developing and promoting culture, theatre and the arts.

In regard to the City's role in financially sponsoring art and cultural events, up to \$55,000 shall be expended from the General Fund for culture and arts grants each fiscal year. The City Arts Commission shall review all programs and requests for support from arts groups. The Commission shall forward its recommendations for funding to the City Council for final approval. For the purpose of this policy, arts groups shall be defined as those involved in visual, musical, theatre, dance, crafts, performing and literary activities.

The following priorities shall be considered by the Commission. The order of preference for granting support shall be as follows:

- A. Local arts groups located within the City and offering programs to City residents;
- B. Regional arts groups located in Orange County and offering programs to City residents; and
- C. Arts groups located in California and performing or offering programs to City residents.

Groups not offering programs or services to local residents shall not be eligible for support from the City.

### *History*

Adopted F-20 – 5-11-1981 (“Reserve Fund for Culture and Arts”)

Amended F-22 – 6-22-1981

Adopted I-20 – 1-24-1983 (“Co-Sponsorship for Cultural Events and Arts Groups”)

Amended F-20 – 11-14-1983

Amended F-20 – 1-23-1984

Amended F-20 – 3-28-1988

Amended F-20 – 10-28-1991

Created I-12 – 1-24-1994 (incorporating I-20 and F-20, and renaming “Financial Support for Culture and Arts”)

Amended I-12 – 5-8-2001

Amended I-12 - 4-8-2003 (changed to I-10)

Amended I-10 – 8-8-2017

Amended I-10 – 11-12-2024