

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE CREATE CHULA VISTA
ARTS GRANT PROGRAM FUNDED BY THE AMERICAN
RESCUE PLAN ACT

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) was signed into law by President Joe Biden and provided \$1.9 trillion in funds to respond to COVID-19, including \$350 billion in emergency funding for local, state, tribal, and territorial governments the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 and 2021, as a result of the COVID-19 virus, artists and arts groups were directly impacted by the loss of the City of Chula Vista’s Performing Visual Arts Grant (“PVAG”); and

WHEREAS, on August 24, 2021 the City Council authorized the acceptance of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established by the American Rescue Plan Act in an initial allocation amount of approximately \$28.7 million and authorized the appropriation of such funds with expenditures to be made in accordance with a City of Chula Vista spending plan, subject to modifications by the City Manager that may be necessary or appropriate to assure expenditure of all available funds;

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista spending plan allocated \$400,000 for public arts grants to help support local artists and arts groups, as well as local small businesses as an incentive to fund arts projects at their locations; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to establish the Create Chula Vista Arts Grant program to support local artists negatively affected by the loss of PVAG, to increase the production and support of public art projects in the City of Chula Vista, and to stimulate the local art economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, to:

1. Establish the Create Chula Vista Arts Grant program on the terms attached hereto as Attachment A (“CCVAG”).
2. Fund the CCVAG with \$400,000 from the ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds accepted by City and allocated to a fund labeled American Rescue Plan 2021.
3. Authorize the City Manager or the City Manager’s designee to take all necessary and appropriate actions to implement and administer the CCVAG consistent with the intent of this resolution, and to make modifications to the CCVAG that may be necessary or appropriate to assure expenditure of all available funds in a qualified and timely manner in accordance with applicable Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds and ARPA requirements, as well as U.S. Department of Treasury Guidelines.

Presented by

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