

Edmonton Arts Council - Community Investment Program – Arts Building Operating Grant Recommendations

Recommendation

That Community and Public Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That the recommendations outlined in Attachment 1 of the August 15, 2018, Edmonton Arts Council report CR_6234, be approved.

Executive Summary

A total of \$370,800 is recommended in funding to support sixteen facilities.

Report

- Applications were accepted at the Edmonton Arts Council up to June 1, 2018.
- Sixteen applications were received.
- Edmonton Arts Council staff analyzed the applications. In several cases more information or clarity was sought from the applicants.
- All 16 applicants were determined to be eligible for this program.
- A mathematical formula was applied to all the eligible applications to generate grant recommendations based on the applicant's eligible expenses and eligible space.
- The Edmonton Arts Council Board accepted the recommendations at their July 2018 meeting.
- As a result of the formula, any one applicant will see fluctuations in grant amounts from year to year that do not reflect any assessment of merit, but are linked to real changes in expenses or circumstances.
- The Cornerstone Arts Operating process for major organizations with facilities also supports Building Operating costs. (see reports CR_62 from May 14, 2013, and CR_5665 from February 21, 2018).
- The recommendations are made in accordance with Policy C211H.

Attachment

1. Program Summary and recommended grants