KILLEEN ARTS COMMISSION FY 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

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Background

The City of Killeen Code of Ordinances require the Arts Commission to:

- Submit an annual advisory report with recommendations to advance art and culture within the City (Sec. 2-133(b))
- Make recommendations on long-range goals for the development of tourism and the convention and hotel industry through use of funding for the arts (Sec. 2-132(f))

- City Council approved 16 art grants across 9 organizations totaling \$246,339
- □ Due to COVID-19 concerns:
 - 7 events were cancelled
 - 2 were withdrawn prior to contract signing
 - 7 were completed
 - \$121,459 of grant awards were paid
- New marketing event "A Night with the Art Commissioners" to promote the grant program and showcase local artists

FY 2022 Recommended Actions

- Increase funding for the arts to pre-pandemic level
- □ Funding for the arts over the past three fiscal years:
 - □ FY 2019 \$187,167
 - □ FY 2020 \$248,339*
 - □ FY 2021 \$85,000
- *includes additional one-time funding of \$61,172
- □ Recommended FY 2022 funding \$187,167

- Marketing
 - City of Killeen's social media
 - Partner with local hotels and motels
 - Advertise with community partners
- Annual cultural arts program/competition showcasing artists and organizations
 - 2-3-day showcase/competition
 - Meeting/booth space to showcase the arts (musicians, dancers, writers, chefs, poetry, etc.)
- Revamp grant application workshop and process