

City of Palm Coast, Florida Agenda Item

Agenda Date: October 20, 2026

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Department	PARKS AND RECREATION	Amount	\$85,392.00
Division	PARKS AND RECREATION	Org/Account #	10016016-082003
Subject:	RESOLUTION 2026-XX APPROVING THE CULTURAL ART GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027		
Presenter:	Brittany McDermott, Director of Parks and Recreation, and Julia Truilo, Flagler County Cultural Council Treasurer		
Attachments:	1. Presentation 2. Resolution 3. Applications (8), available in the Clerk's office for review		
Background:	<u>UPDATED BACKGROUND FROM THE OCTOBER 13, 2026, BUSINESS MEETING:</u> The City Council received a presentation on the item at the October 13, 2026, Workshop Meeting. There have been no changes made to the item. <u>ORIGINAL BACKGROUND FROM THE OCTOBER 13, 2026, WORKSHOP MEETING:</u> Since 2002, the City of Palm Coast has offered the Cultural Art Financial Assistance Matching Grant program to support Flagler County organizations that provide history, arts, and cultural programs and events within city limits. The program enhances the quality of life for residents and visitors and strengthens the City's reputation as an innovative cultural center. In 2022, the Flagler County Board of County Commissioners designated the Flagler County Cultural Council (FC3) as the countywide Arts Council, also known as a Local Arts Agency. FC3 serves as an umbrella organization supporting and promoting arts, history, and culture throughout Flagler County. In 2024, the City of Palm Coast partnered with FC3 to administer the Cultural Art Grant program. Through this partnership, FC3 coordinates the application and review process and provides funding recommendations for City Council's consideration. For Fiscal Year 2026–2027, eight applications were submitted for review. An FC3 committee evaluated each application to ensure it met the program's eligibility criteria. All eight organizations, listed in the attached presentation, have been recommended for funding to support history, arts, and cultural programs and events within Palm Coast.		

The grant funding recommendations are attached for City Council's review.

Recommended Action:

**ADOPT RESOLUTION 2026-XX APPROVING THE CULTURAL ART GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEAR
2026-2027**

RESOLUTION 2026-_____
CULTURAL ARTS GRANTS FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM COAST, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ELIGIBILITY LIST FOR THE CULTURAL ARTS GRANTS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS AND PAYMENTS WITH GRANTEEES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTING ACTIONS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, historical, cultural, and arts organizations have expressed a desire in receiving grant funding from the City of Palm Coast to support programs and events held within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Flagler County Cultural Council, as the designated Countywide Arts Council, is committed to supporting historical, cultural, and arts organizations throughout Flagler County in partnership with the City of Palm Coast; and

WHEREAS, the Flagler County Cultural Council possesses the expertise and capacity to administer the Cultural Art Grant program effectively; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Palm Coast recognizes the importance of providing monetary assistance to historical, cultural, and arts organizations that deliver high-quality and innovative programs and events for the benefit of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, historical, cultural, and arts organizations contribute to the enrichment and vibrancy of Palm Coast, enhancing the quality of life for the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM COAST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. APPROVAL. The City Council of the City of Palm Coast hereby approves the recommendation list for the Cultural Arts Grant, as attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit “A.”

SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE. The City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to execute agreements and payments between the City of Palm Coast and the Grantees.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any section or portion of a section of this Resolution proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other section or part of this Resolution.

SECTION 4. CONFLICTS. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. IMPLEMENTING ACTIONS. The City Manager is hereby authorized to take any actions necessary to implement the action taken in this Resolution.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Palm Coast, Florida, on this 20th day of October 2026.

ATTEST:

CITY OF PALM COAST

KALEY COOK, CITY CLERK

MICHAEL NORRIS, MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

MARCUS DUFFY, CITY ATTORNEY

Attachment: Exhibit "A" Cultural Arts Grants Eligibility List

Cultural Art Grant Applications FY27

Organization Name	Funding Request	
African-American Cultural Society Inc	\$	12,000.00
City Lites Inc	\$	7,800.00
City Repertory Theatre Inc	\$	11,469.00
Community Chorus of Palm Coast	\$	10,080.00
Flagler Auditorium	\$	12,000.00
Flagler County Education Foundation	\$	11,000.00
Hispanic American Cultural Society	\$	9,043.00
Palm Coast Music Festival	\$	12,000.00
TOTAL REQUESTED	\$	85,392.00