



**Board of Supervisors
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

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AGENDA DATE: September 30, 2014

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Melissa Withnell PHONE: 559-636-5000				

SUBJECT: Extend the Arts Consortium’s designation as the official arts council of Tulare County through September 30, 2015.

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:
Presentation to approve the extension of the Arts Consortium’s designation as the official arts council of Tulare County through September 2015.

SUMMARY:
The California Arts Council operates the State-Local Partnership Development Program. This is a three year program designed to build the capacity of local arts organizations. For an organization to receive these funds, that organization must be designated by the County Board of Supervisors as the official Arts Council of their county.

On October 5, 2010 the Board of Supervisors designated the Arts Consortium as the official arts council in Tulare County through April 30, 2011. The designation was extended to September 30, 2011 and again through September 30, 2014. On July 31, 2014, the board president of the Arts Consortium once again requested an extension of this designation through September 30, 2015. The designation’s timeline will coincide with the timing of future grant programs through the California Arts Council.

Staff is requesting the Board approve the extension of the Arts Consortium’s designation through September 30, 2015.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:
N/A

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Extending the Arts Consortium's designation as the official arts council in Tulare County is linked to the Quality of Life initiative of the Tulare County Strategic Business Plan. Granting status as the official arts council in Tulare County will help provide greater recreational and cultural opportunities.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Melissa Withnell, Board Representative
Tulare County Board of Supervisors

Cc: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment: Attachment A – Arts Consortium Extension Request

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF EXTENDING THE
ARTS CONSORTIUM'S DESIGNATION

)
) Resolution No. _____
Agreement No. _____

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
_____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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The Board of Supervisors hereby:

Approved extending the Arts Consortium's designation as the official Arts Council of
Tulare County through September 30, 2015.



ARTS CONSORTIUM
400 N. Church St.
Visalia, CA 93291
559.802.3266
Tax ID: 27 - 0661610

July 31, 2014

The Hon. Allen Ishida
The Hon. Pete Vander Poel
The Hon. Phil Cox
The Hon. Steve Worthley
The Hon. Mike Ennis
Tulare County Board of Supervisors

Dear Supervisors:

The Arts Consortium is pleased to have served as the Tulare County's designated arts council since 2010.

I am writing to request a renewal of the designation which allows the Arts Consortium to receive grant funding through the California Arts Council's State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP). The SLPP provides operational support grants that can be used in a variety of ways including programming. The Board of Supervisors previously granted a three-year designation to the Arts Consortium. Designation periods for counties throughout the state vary between one and six year periods.

We appreciate your past recognition and look forward to continuing to serve Tulare County. The Arts Consortium brings together artists, organizations and art enthusiasts to advocate, promote and provide opportunities to create and celebrate the arts for all Tulare County residents and visitors.

Attached you will find our 2013 annual report. Some of our current programs include:

- Taste the Arts Festival - a yearly festival of art, culture, and community
- Artist in Schools Residency Program
- South Valley Artists Studio Tour - countywide artist studio tour in March
- Fiscal Sponsors of Visalia Opera Company, Urbanists Collective, and First Friday
- Online artist directory
- Events Calendar
- Monthly Membership meetings for networking

We appreciate your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

Donald E Williams
Board President