

Introduced by Council Member Amaro:

ORDINANCE 2025-533

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$25,000 FROM THE SPECIAL COUNCIL CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIVATE ORG ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO ARTIST CONNECTION THEATRE, INC. ("ACT") FOR THE MAIN STAGE PROGRAM AND YOUNG ARTIST PROGRAM (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PROGRAM") AS DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER TO FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026; WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH ACT; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND ARTIST CONNECTION THEATRE, INC. FOR THE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2024-2025 fiscal year, within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and

incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above is an appropriation of \$25,000 from the Special Council Contingency account to the Subsidies and Contributions to Private Org account to provide a grant to Artist Connection Theatre, Inc. ("ACT") for the Main Stage program and Young Artists program (collectively, the "Program") as described herein.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to provide funding from the City of Jacksonville to ACT for the Program as described in **Exhibit 2**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. The Program is comprised of two initiatives that include the Main Stage program through which ACT hosts and performs eight main stage productions during the 2025/2026 season and the Young Artists program, which is offered each summer as a two-week, tuition-based workshop for kids ages eight to 17 years old. The Young Artists program provides training for auditions and education on acting and performance technology, culminating in a full weekend of performances by the program participants. The City funds will be used to pay for maintenance and repairs to the ACT dressing rooms, with the remainder being used to pay for production royalty fees and costs for supplies and materials for ACT's various productions.

Section 3. Carryover. The funds appropriated herein shall not lapse but shall carryover to fiscal year 2025-2026.

Section 4. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code. The provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through

1 a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions),
2 Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow
3 for a direct contract with Artist Connection Theatre, Inc. This
4 waiver is justified because ACT offers fun and interactive community-
5 based theater programming for youth in Arlington and its surrounding
6 communities.

7 **Section 5. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is
8 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation
9 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of
10 the City a grant agreement with Artist Community Theatre, Inc. in an
11 amount not-to-exceed \$25,000, subject to the Term Sheet and Budget
12 more particularly described in **Exhibit 2**, for a term commencing on
13 October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, and all other contracts
14 and documents, including extensions, renewals and amendments to the
15 agreement, and to otherwise take all action necessary to effectuate
16 the intent of this Ordinance, subject to appropriate legal review and
17 approval by the General Counsel, or his or her designee, and the
18 City's Risk Management Division for appropriate insurance and
19 indemnification requirements in accordance with Section 128.601,
20 *Ordinance Code*.

21 **Section 6. Oversight Department.** The Grants and
22 Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department shall oversee
23 the project described herein.

24 **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
25 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
26 without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

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