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Dear Mayor and Council,

Arising from a question at the Council Meeting on April 12 on the history of City grants to Arts and Culture organizations, Sandra Singh worked with the Finance Department to create the attached summary. Highlights and key points are:

- The City has been granting to A&C organizations since well before the year 2000 and budget information back to 2000 is appended for Council information;
- To go back farther than 2000 would require physically searching the Archives; staff will look further back if requested by Council;
- The largest increase in A&C grants budget occurred between 2006 and 2007 when the budget doubled from nearly 5M to 10M annually;
- Since then, the budget has generally received a customary 2% increase with occasional ongoing and/or one-time boosts in recent years to support *Culture/Shift* directions (e.g., the 2022 budget includes a one-time boost of \$300,000)

If you have any further questions, please feel free to email Sandra or me and we will ensure responses through the weekly Q&A.

Best,
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CULTURAL GRANTS - OPERATING GRANTS

Row Labels	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Grand Total	3,103,500	3,119,600	3,172,400	3,266,500	3,329,900	3,456,700	5,241,900	10,126,600	10,013,140	10,239,400	10,249,400	10,854,400	10,554,400	10,754,400	10,794,400	11,257,300	11,268,506	11,744,137	12,524,020	12,215,500	13,036,810	13,572,546	13,957,547

