ZAP Tier II Funding Finalization Follow Up Advisory Board Mtg
October 8, 2024 | 11:30AM – 12:30PM | WebEx
FINAL MEETING MINUTES

Board Member Attendees: Kelleigh Helm (Chair), Patti Hobfoll (Vice Chair), Sheryl Gillilan, Paul Pehrson, Ryan Riches, David Pack, Monte Caldwell, Bryn Ramjoue, Mayor Dirk Burton

Excused Board Members: Gina Chamness, Mayor Karen Lang

Staff Members and Guest Attendees: Samantha Thermos, Program Director, Daniel Stergios, Grant & Communications Coordinator, Matthew Castillo, Arts & Culture Division Director, Isaac Higham, SLCo Council staff (via WebEx).

I. Welcome
Acting Chair, Vice Chair Patti Hobfoll called the meeting to order at 11:36AM. Ms. Hobfoll and Daniel Stergios led introductions.

II. Public Comment Period
Vice Chair Hobfoll opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

III. Agenda Overview – Samantha Thermos
Ms. Thermos provided a brief overview of the purpose of the meeting,1. To review possible funding scenarios to make funding recommendations for the remaining $5,000 of Tier II available budget; and 2. To deliberate to make a funding recommendation for West Valley's application based on the Tier II Advisory Board's Local Arts Agency (LAA) subcommittee request to take the discussion to the full Board for further deliberation and final decision.

IV. ACTION ITEM: Approve Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2024
Vice Chair Hobfoll called for approval.

Paul Pehrson motioned to approve the minutes; Ryan Riches seconded. There were none opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Review & Discussion – Funding Recommendation Adjustments
– Daniel Stergios

1. Funding Scenarios for Available Budget of $5,000: Mr. Stergios reviewed funding scenarios 1 and 2 for the Board to distribute the remaining $5,000 of Tier II available budget. The Board asked questions confirming how the scenarios for possible funding were created, the distribution amounts between organizations, and how this could impact their overall final funding recommendations for this cycle year. Mr. Stergios provided further information about how high Board scores, and positive review comments yielded the creation of the funding scenarios additionally noting that either scenario would allow the Board to meet their budget.

After discussion, Mayor Burton suggested the Board move forward with Scenario 2, to which the Board agreed by a straw poll style preliminary vote.

2. West Valley Application Review and Funding Recommendation: Following the funding scenarios discussion, the meeting proceeded to deliberate West Valley's application. Ms. Thermos reminded the Board of the purpose of discussing West Valley's application, stating that the LAA Subcommittee was unsure of their recommendation and wanted to bring it to the attention of the full Board for further discussion and determination. Ms. Thermos also stated that the entity eligible to receive ZAP funding is West Valley City, not West Valley Arts Foundation. The Board held discussion amongst each other and asked questions of staff. Questions and discussion were regarding the status of the organization, how that has it changed since the application was submitted, the budget provided being confusion, challenges the Board had in fully understanding the information presented in the submitted application providing context for their scores.

The Board noted in previous cycles, they have had similar conversations around West Valley's applications. Also noted was the organization's failure of the Financial Health Test (FHT) this year. Ms. Thermos shared that ZAP's CPA identified that this is the third consecutive year that West Valley has failed the FHT. The Board agreed that with the application confusion and failed FHTs, West Valley's scores and recommended amount should change.

The Board agreed with a somewhat formal straw poll style preliminary vote after their discussion while adjusting scores accordingly. The Board's updated funding recommendation for West Valley City is $95,000.

This decision made available an additional $5,000. The Board voted to have that $5,000 be distributed to Scenario 1 from the previously discussed scenarios.

VI. ACTION ITEM: Motion to Approve

Paul Pehrson motioned to finalize Tier II 2024 funding recommendations with Scenario 1 and Scenario 2 both receiving $5,000 each and West Valley City receiving $95,000, spending the full 2024 Tier II budget of $3,417,179; Ryan Riches seconded. There were none opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Adjourn

Chair Kelleigh Helm called for a motion to adjourn.

Sheryl Gillilan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Chair Helm adjourned the meeting at 12:34PM.