

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON,
APPROVING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR
THE ARTS OUR TOWN GRANT FOR THE OLYMPIA ARMORY**

WHEREAS, Our Town is a creative place making grants program funded by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and supports projects that integrate arts, culture, and design activities into efforts that strengthen communities by advancing local economic, physical, and/or social outcomes; and

WHEREAS, exploration to support City use of the Olympia Armory as a Creative Campus was approved by the City Council on December 8, 2020, and the State of Washington is offering the opportunity to transfer the Olympia Armory to the City of Olympia at no cost to the City; and

WHEREAS, a working vision is to repurpose the Olympia Armory for use as a creative campus – a cultural anchor for building community through the arts, very much in keeping with the intent of the NEA Our Town Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, there is currently funding earmarked for Armory: Creative Campus facility design in the Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation Capital fund; and

WHEREAS the Our Town Grant, if funded, will support maximizing the City's capacity to implement this phase of the project; and

WHEREAS, because the Our Town Grant is a matching grant program with implications on the City's budget, it is necessary for the City Council to approve submission of the NEA grant application;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves submission by the City Manager, or their designee, of an application for an Our Town Grant between the City of Olympia and the NEA for the Olympia Armory Project, understanding that the City will be required to provide matching funds of \$150,000 if the City's application is selected.
2. The City Manager or their designee is authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the application for the NEA Our Town Grant, and any other documents, including contracts, necessary to obligate or use such funds for the Olympia Armory

Project, and to make any minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Grant Agreement, or to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2021.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY