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To: Planning Commission
From: Arts Commission
Subject: Transmittal of Recommended Urban Design & the Arts Element Policies for the Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update

On March 6, 2024, the Arts Commission approved recommended arts policy amendments in the Urban Design and the Arts element for the Comprehensive Plan as part of the Periodic Update directed by the Washington Growth Management Act (GMA) and voted to transmit the recommendation to the Planning Commission.

Staff from the Community Development Department met in study session with the Arts Commission on the following dates:

- **November 11, 2022:** Reviewed scope of update to the arts policies in the Urban Design and the Arts element.
- **July 18, 2023:** Reviewed and discussed preliminary updates to the arts policies in the Urban Design and the Arts element.
- **March 6, 2024:** Reviewed and made final recommendation for policy amendments in the Urban Design and the Arts element of the Comprehensive Plan. Transmittal to the Planning Commission.

Arts policies in the Urban Design and the Arts element provide direction for arts and cultural planning and investments to support the Comprehensive Plan. The Commission has heard from a variety of stakeholders through public comment at our meetings as well as through the City’s outreach efforts. The Arts Commission believes that the recommended updates to the policies will serve as a valuable framework to inform the planning, design and development of arts and culture in the City.