

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Accept 2015 Arts Oversight Committee Report on the Arts Education & Access Fund (Report).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This report is written by the citizen Arts Oversight Committee (AOC). Their report describes the investments made in the second year of the Arts Education & Access Fund income tax (Tax Year 2013).

Financial and budgetary impacts:

There are no financial or budgetary impacts as a result of this report.

Community impacts and community involvement:

- On December 18, 2012, Portland City Council adopted Ordinance No. 185827, amending Portland City Code 5.73.050, establishing the Citizen Oversight Committee. Members are approved by City Council. The AOC created their own “Working Agreement” for running the AOC meetings and work products. City staff from the Revenue Bureau, Mayor’s Office, and Commissioner Fish’s office provide staff support.
- The Arts Oversight Committee is an independent citizen group charged with overseeing how Arts Education & Access Fund income tax dollars are spent. The Report describes the tax in its second year (Tax Year 2013). Funds have helped restore arts and music teachers in our public schools, support arts organizations in our community, and fund grants that improve arts access.
- The Arts Oversight Committee began with 20 members of diverse professional, geographic, economic, and racial backgrounds. Currently, the AOC has 17 members representing communities of color, arts organizations, schools, and more. AOC meetings are open to the public – and are well-attended by outside individuals and organizations. Members of the public are given an opportunity to comment at each meeting.
- The AOC will continue to meet regularly, review tax expenditures, and report their findings to City Council annually.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- YES: Please complete the information below.
 NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount