PROPOSED THRIVE FUNDING POLICY CHANGES

Existing Policy	Proposed Policy	Justification
Allows small and micro nonprofits to apply for Thrive project funding	Only individuals and groups of individuals can apply for Thrive funding	Nonprofit organizations can apply for operating grants and there is a larger pool of money in operating
Community Public Arts Projects (murals) eligible	Eliminates community public art projects	They are typically temporary; they may not be accessible by the public
Project budget narrative required	Add budget spending plan language	Outcome of the Working Group's deliberations
Thrive grant range from \$2,000 up to \$20,000	Maximum Thrive project funding up to \$10,000	Staff recommendation based on research of individual funding for artists that ranged from \$2,000 to \$7,500 in the southeastern region and \$5,000 in Tennessee; desire for more individual artists to receive funding
Multiple grant applications per artists	One grant application per artist whether Thrive or Operating	Desire to distribute limited resources more broadly
None	Documented background checks for youth-engaged arts projects	Standard best practice for youth-engaged projects in communities
None	Priority funding in underrepresented Council Districts	Ensure the effect of Metro arts funding benefits all Nashvillians
None	Fiscal Agency requirement Includes 501c3 status; Metro contract; letter of fiscal agency; letter of agreement with artist or arts group; and disbursement schedule	Outcome of the Working Group's deliberations and development of a framework for Thrive