

## **Ideas For Consideration to Meet Mayor's budget cuts:**

Reduce the Mayor's Art Award to a photo-op at City Hall or create a fundraising event.  
*Estimated savings: \$20,000 or possible revenue*

Reduce Civic Design Program Manager position to half time. Move technology and policy responsibilities to Program Associates, Commission Secretary and new Public Art Project Manager.  
*Estimated savings: \$40,000*

Merge Director of Cultural Affairs with Deputy Director position with a focus on continuing internal operations and reducing new initiatives and place outreach/visibilities responsibility on Development Director.  
*Estimated savings: \$178,480*

Ask staff for voluntary furloughs up to 30 days to be spread throughout the fiscal year.  
*Estimated savings if ten people volunteer for two unpaid days a month – \$40,000*

Fewer events (Town Hall, Convening on Economic Recession, etc.)  
*Estimated savings: \$15,000*

Increase Civic Design Review fee to \$3,500 to cover half time coordinator position and part of Director position.  
*Estimated revenue: \$20,000*

Eliminate half time CEG Public Service Aide  
*Estimated savings: \$41,600*

Eliminate vacant Account Clerk position  
*Estimated savings 08/09: \$37,768; ongoing savings*

City Hall tour fee of \$10 per person  
*Estimated savings: \$40,000*

Other sources of revenue generation as discussed by staff at 2/17 meeting: Artist designed parking zone stickers, tax on car rentals (like hotel tax)

### Long-term possibilities:

- Work more closely with 501(c)3 so the Arts Commission can fundraise more efficiently.
- Merge with Grants for the Arts to consolidate staff and offices.
- Work more closely with the planning department and the Convention and Visitors Bureau to integrate arts in a vital role to the future economy of the city (model after Chicago).
- Absorb Civic Design into Public Art program for Admin and staff savings.