



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting – Monday, October 17, 2016, 6:00 P.M.
Ruiz Branch Library
1600 Grove Blvd, Austin, TX 78741

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Lulu Flores – Chair, Michelle Polgar–Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Christopher Bryan, Jaime Castillo, Felipe Garza, Bruce Willenzik, Amy Wong Mok

Absent - Alissa McCain, Matt Stillwell

CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 19, 2016
Approved. Motioned: Mok Seconded: Garza 8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

1. Cliffod Gillard – Capitol View Arts, invitation to event for finding funds for nonprofits
2. Ethan Azarian – Blue Cow Studio, in support of affordable housing for artists

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- a. Co-Lab – FY 16 Capacity Building Program presentation
- b. Latinitas – FY 16 Capacity Building Program presentation
- c. Juegos Rancheros – FY 16 Capacity Building Program presentation
- d. VSA arts of Texas/All Rhythms – FY 16 Capacity Building Program presentation
- e. Allgo/Tonya Lyles – FY 16 Capacity Building Program presentation

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Flores gave updates on cultural events she had recently seen and acknowledged ongoing efforts with City Council discussion of cultural contracts as well as the Visitor Impact Task Force.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Action Items

- i. Approve the revised Prospectus (rev. 3) for the Austin Energy District Cooling Plant #3 Art in Public Places Project
Presented by Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Administrator
Motion: to Approve the revised Prospectus (rev. 3) for the Austin Energy District Cooling Plant #3 Art in Public Places Project
Made by: Barnes Seconded: Polgar
8-0; approved
Motion: To appoint Brett Barnes as the Arts Commission representative to the Selection Committee
Made by: Mok Seconded by: Castillo
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- ii. Approve the Revised Allied Artist Program Policy within the Art in Public Places program
Presented by Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Administrator
Motion: to Approve the Revised Allied Artist Program Policy within the Art in Public Places program
Made by: Mok Seconded: Bryan
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- iii. Approve the Artwork Donation of the Dance of the Cosmos, by Jennifer Chenoweth, donated by the artist, at Patterson Park
Moved to item 5.a.i., presented by Frank Wick, Art In Public Places Collections Manager
Motion: to Approve the Artwork Donation of the Dance of the Cosmos, by Jennifer Chenoweth, donated by the artist, at Patterson Park
Made by: Barnes Seconded: Polgar
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- iv. Approve Community Initiatives Funding Recommendations
Presented by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Arts Funding Team Lead
Motion: to pull 17 CI 19 and 17 CI 27 from consideration
Made by: Castillo Seconded: Polgar
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

Motion: to approve Community Initiatives Funding Recommendations for all applications except 17 CI 19 and 17 CI 27
Made by: Barnes Seconded: Mok
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

Motion: to approve Community Initiatives Funding Recommendation for 17 CI 19

Made by: Barnes Seconded: Polgar
4-4; failed
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

Motion: For Community Initiatives applicant 17 CI 27 to provide clarification that their activities are independent from and not part of the regular activities of the Carver Museum

Made by: Mok Seconded: Barnes
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- v. Establish and appoint members to Core Guidelines Working Group
Presented by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Arts Funding Team Lead
Motion: to Establish and appoint Commissioners Castillo, Flores, Garza, and Polgar to Core Guidelines Working Group
Made by: Willenzik Seconded: Mok
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- vi. Establish and appoint members to Cultural Expansion Guidelines Working Group
Presented by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Arts Funding Team Lead
Motion: to Establish and appoint Commissioners Barnes, Bryan, and Castillo to Cultural Expansion Guidelines Working Group
Made by: Barnes Seconded: Mok
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- vii. Establish and appoint members to Cultural Heritage Festivals Guidelines Working Group
Presented by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Arts Funding Team Lead
Motion: to Establish and appoint Commissioners Flores, Garza, and McCain to Cultural Heritage Festivals Guidelines Working Group
Made by: Barnes Seconded: Polgar
8-0; approved
Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

OLD BUSINESS

- b. Discussion and Action Items
 - i. Omnibus
 - 1. Update on Marketing Initiative (Willenzik)

Commissioner Willenzik will provide more information at the next meeting

2. Update from Joint Music/Arts Working Group (Polgar, Willenzik)
Presented by Commissioners Polgar, providing general updates

ii. Capacity Building Guidelines – Update on Council Action on directive for CB guidelines

Presentation by Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. Update on current Cultural Arts Division projects and activities

Cultural Arts Division Manager Meghan Wells introduced new temp employee Laura Odegaard, Commissioner Nemura resigned, update on National Arts Marketing conference; Art in Public Places Administrator Sue Lambe provided update on TEMPO

b. Update on Council Action on Core Funding contracts

Presented by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Arts Funding Team Lead, and Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager. Discussed new labor relations language, who was affected, and options for collecting feedback for February City Council consideration.

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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