



## **AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES**

Regular Meeting – Monday, January 22, 2018, 6:00 P.M.

Cultural Arts Division Training Room

201 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, TX 78701

### **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

Lulu Flores – Chair, Michelle Polgar–Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Chris Bryan, Jaime Castillo, Bears Fonte, Felipe Garza, Alissa McCain, Amy Mok, Krissi Reeves

### **CALL TO ORDER – 6:07 P.M.**

#### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approve the minutes for the Arts Commission Regular Meeting on December 11, 2017

Motion to approve

Motioned: Polgar      Seconded: Castillo

Approved 6-0-1

Approved: Commissioners Flores, Polgar, Castillo, McCain, Mok, Reeves

Commissioner Chris Bryan Abstained

Commissioners Barnes, Fonte, and Garza 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.

- a. Ann Alva Wieding – Articulation – feedback on Community Initiatives – would like to have the questions in advance of the application, a longer process than expected – have an opportunity to complete the application while in the workshop – Wanted access to the final report questions before the final report – Frustration of funding and timing – Would like to receive funds earlier.
- b. Daniel Llanes – Speaking in support of the Artist Access Program
- c. John Riedie – Speaking in support of the Artist Access Program
- d. Luis Ordaz – Speaking on the Artist Access Program
- e. Alejandra Amuelle – FY17 Capacity Building Award Presentation

#### **3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

- a. Michael Anthony Garcia, Artist – Independent Curator and visual artist.
- b. Sean Gaulager, Co-Lab Projects -
- c. Dimension Gallery – FY17 Capacity Building Award Presentation
- d. allgo – FY17 Capacity Building Award Presentation
- e. Teatro Vivo – FY17 Capacity Building Award Presentation
- f. Matt Steinke – FY17 Capacity Building Award Presentation

g. Cultural Trust – John Riedie, CEO, Austin Creative Alliance

#### **4. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

- a. Artist Access Program Update – Laura Esparza, Parks and Recreation Department, Division Manager of Museums and Cultural Programs
- b. Capacity Building Applications for January, presented by Laura Odegard, Cultural Funding Program Associate

#### **5. CHAIR’S REPORT**

#### **6. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and Action Items
  - i. Approve Selection Process Recommendation for the Dove Springs Recreation Center AIPP project.  
Presented by Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Program Administrator  
Motion to Approve Selection Process Recommendation for the Dove Springs Recreation Center AIPP project.  
Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Reeves  
Approved: 7-0  
Commissioners Barnes, Fonte, and Garza absent
  - ii. Discussion and possible action for a letter of support for Austin Veterans Art Festival  
Motion to provide a letter of support for Austin Veterans Art Festival  
Motioned: Mok Seconded: Polgar  
Substitute motion to table the discussion pending more information  
Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Reeves  
Approved: 7-0  
Commissioners Barnes, Fonte, and Garza absent
  - iii. Discuss and Approve agenda items for the Joint Arts and Music Commission Meeting.  
Motion to approve agenda for the Joint Arts and Music Commission Meeting.  
Motioned: Reeves Seconded: Castillo  
Approved: 7-0  
Commissioners Barnes, Fonte, and Garza absent
  - iv. Discuss and Approve December Community Initiative Applications  
Presented by Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis, Cultural Arts Division Cultural Arts Funding Program  
Motion to approve CI applications 76, 77, 78, 81  
Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Mok  
Approved: 7-0  
  
Motion to approve 73, 74, 79  
Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Castillo

Approved: 7-0-1  
Commissioner McCain Abstained.

Motion to approve 18 CI 75 SP contingent on proof from the applicant at the final report that they have not met the match using the commission fees from Fusebox Festival.

Approved: Mok                      Seconded: Castillo

Approved: 6-0-1  
Commissioner McCain Abstained

Motion to approve 18 CI 80  
Motioned: Mok    Seconded: Polgar  
Approved: 6-0-1  
Commissioner Castillo Abstained.

- v. Discussion and possible action regarding the City Bond process in relation to the City's cultural facilities  
No Action Taken

## **7. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and Action Items

- i. Omnibus

- 1. Update on Marketing Initiative  
No Action Taken
    - 2. Update from Joint Music/Arts Working Group  
No Action Taken

- ii. Working Group Updates

- 1. Labor Language Working Group – Chair Flores, Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Bryan and Barnes  
No Action Taken
    - 2. Community Outreach and Engagement – Vice Chair Polgar and Commissioners Castillo, Fonte, Mok and Reeves  
No Action Taken
    - 3. Cultural Funding Program Responsiveness Working Group – Commissioners Mok, Vice Chair Polgar, Castillo, McCain and chaired by Commissioner Fonte.  
No Action Taken
    - 4. Venue Funding/Assistance Program Working Group - Commissioners Polgar, Reeves, Flores  
No Action Taken
    - 5. City of Austin Artwork Donation and Loan Policy Working Group – Commissioners Barnes, Bryan, Castillo, McCain and representatives from the AIPP Panel  
No Action Taken
    - 6. FY19 Core Funding Program Guidelines Working Group - Commissioners Polgar, Castillo, Flores, Reeves

No Action Taken

7. FY19 Cultural Heritage Festivals Program Guidelines Working Group  
- Commissioners Fonte, Garza, McCain, Flores

No Action Taken

## **8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Next Joint Meeting of the Arts Commission and Music Commission will be on Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm – Austin School of Film - 2200 Tillery St, Austin, TX 78723

Next Regular Meeting will be on **Monday, February 26 @ 6pm at Cultural Arts Division Training Room**

## **9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Core Funding Program Guidelines

Cultural Heritage Festival Program Guidelines

Artist Access Program

## **ADJOURNMENT: 9:49pm**

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