



# Meeting Minutes

## Arts Commission

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**Thursday, February 11, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

**Room 112**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

**1.A ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Chair Marygrace Jennings, Vice Chair Stacy Hicks, Commissioner Diana Fairbanks, Commissioner Ron Hinton, Commissioner Kathy Murray, Commissioner Katie Nelson, and Commissioner Rick Perry

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Susan Aurand, and Commissioner Britta Echtle

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Dena Lee and Paul Simmons, Director of Parks, Arts & Recreation

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3.A** [16-0168](#) Approval of January 14, 2016 Arts Commission Minutes

**Attachments:** [OAC January 14, 2016 Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved.

**3.B** [16-0181](#) Approval of January 21, 2016 Arts Commission Minutes

**Attachments:** [OAC January 21, 2016 Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Lee and Mr. Simmons introduced themselves to the Commission. Mr. Simmons shared that the Parks, Arts & Recreation Plan was recently approved by Council. He noted the plan includes .25 fte for Arts Maintenance and .50 fte for Arts Program support in 2017.

## 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners shared information about past and upcoming events. Ms. Johnson informed Commissioners that Sylvia Perle, an Olympia artist and part of the current Plinth Project Exhibition, died suddenly this past week. Ms. Johnson has shared her condolences with the family.

## 6. BUSINESS ITEMS

### 6.A [15-1071](#) 2016 Arts Commission Work Plan

**Attachments:** [Final Draft 2016 OAC Work Plan](#)  
[Final Draft 2016 Municipal Art Plan](#)

Commissioners reviewed the 2016 Work Plan one final time and made five minor edits. Staff will make those changes before forwarding the Work Plan to the General Government Committee. Staff will also draft a cover letter for Chair Jennings for review. Commissioners also reviewed updates to the Municipal Art Plan and have asked for the document to come back to the Commission in March.

**The discussion was continued to the March 10, 2016 Arts Commission meeting.**

### 6.B [15-1198](#) Poet Laureate

**Attachments:** [Poet Laureate Referral](#)

Ms. Johnson shared a draft staff report sharing the Commission's response to the Council's referral on a Poet Laureate program, following the retreat held in January. Commissioners made changes and directed staff to return the report for review at the March meeting.

**The discussion was continued to the March 10, 2016 Arts Commission meeting.**

## 7. REPORTS

### 7.A [16-0169](#) Commission Items

- 1.12 City Action Plan - No report.
- 1.13 Park Plan - Approved by Council on February 9, 2016.
- 1.14 Downtown Strategy - Community workshop to be held on Saturday, February 20.

**The report was received.**

### 7.B [16-0170](#) Community Events & Outreach Committee

- 1.7 Artspace/Arts Center Support - No report.

1.9 Define Creative District - Ms. Johnson shared she testified to a House Committee on the proposed Creative District legislation.

1.10 Music in the Neighborhoods - No report.

2.a Arts Walk 50 & 51- Ms. Johnson shared registration closes Saturday.

2.c Area Arts Promotion - No report.

2.d Legislative Arts Day - Commissioners Nelson, Murray and Hicks reported the event went well.

**The report was received.**

**7.C**     [16-0171](#)     Art in Public Places Committee

1.2 Traffic Box Wrap - The Westside project is complete.

1.3 Music Out Loud - The RFQ for fabricators is ready to go out.

1.4 Percival Plinth Project - The Call for Sculpture will go out next week.

1.5 Harrison/Black Lake Tree Guards - No report.

1.6 City Gateways - Chair Jennings will be making contact with members of the Planning Commission to review the Master Plan project.

1.8 Guidelines for Temporary Display of Art at City Hall - No report.

**The report was received.**

**8.     OTHER TOPICS - None**

**9.     ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.