

Meeting Minutes

City Hall 601 4th Avenue E Olympia, WA 98501

General Government Committee

Information: 360.753.8447

Tuesday, December 16, 2014

4:30 PM

Room 207

1. ROLL CALL

Present:

 3 - Chair Jeannine Roe, Committee Member Jim Cooper and Committee Member Cheryl Selby

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Roe called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A Approval of November 14, 2014 General Government Committee Special Meeting Minutes

The minutes were unanimously approved.

3.B 14-1229 Approval of December 3, 2014 General Government Committee Special Meeting Minutes

The minutes were unanimously approved.

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

4.A 14-0482 Review and Provide Guidance on "Music Out Loud" Concept and Associated Amendment to OMC 2.100

Olympia Arts Commission Chair Trent Hart and Arts & Events Program Manager Stephanie Johnson provided an overview of the work completed on this proposed project since the last visit to General Government in May, 2014. Since that meeting, members of the Arts Commission have met with representatives of the Police Department, Public Works, Fire Department, and Community Planning & Development to discuss pedestrian safety and egress for the performances. They also met with the Assistant City Attorney to draft changes in the ordinance to allow for Municipal Art Funds to be used for performance art.

One of the outcomes of the meeting was to remove a site on 4th Avenue due to egress concerns.

The Committee asked the Arts Commission to return to General Government with an update once they have secured written approval from adjacent businesses, completed the public process to determine musical artist names to be memorialized, and the Call

for Art has gone out.

Committee Member Cooper moved, seconded by Committee Member Selby, to move the project forward to the full Council for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

4.B 14-1067 Review and Provide Guidance on Transit Box Wrap Public Art Project

Arts Commissioner Diana Fairbanks and Ms. Johnson provided an overview of the project, which entails placing an artistic vinyl wrap around traffic control boxes. The project will not only provide artwork and way-finding, but will also help in abating graffiti. Submissions for the boxes would be open to Thurston County residents of all ages, and selection would be made by the public through OlySpeaks. The plan is to install the wraps on ten boxes Downtown and ten boxes on the Westside.

Chair Roe inquired about boxes on the Eastside. Ms. Johnson said this is a pilot and they would be looking at Eastside locations in the future.

Committee Member Selby moved, seconded by Committee Member Cooper, to approve the concept, budget and Call for Art for the project and forward it to Council for final approval. The motion passed unanimously.

4.C Id-1230 Final Review of Draft 2015 Council Outreach and Communication Action Plan

Assistant City Manager Jay Burney stated the purpose of this item is to receive any final edits or comments on the Draft 2015 Council Outreach and Communication Action Plan so it is ready for the Council Retreat, and also to hear from the Committee on how they wish to present it at the Retreat.

The Committee suggested minor wording changes in a few sections, which Mr. Burney will make, and staff will prepare for the Retreat.

The Committee asked that Cathie Butler, along with other staff as needed, present the plan to the Council at the Retreat for input and discussions. The goal is to find consensus and finalize the plan at the retreat. The Retreat presentation should also include the public participation concepts from the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2), and how those will be utilized in City communication and outreach strategies moving forward.

The recommendation was discussed and closed.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.