



Meeting Minutes

Arts Commission

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Thursday, October 8, 2015

6:00 PM

Room 112

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6pm.

1.A ROLL CALL

Parks, Arts & Recreation Program Specialist Luke Burns was also in attendance.

Present: 8 - Chair Marygrace Jennings, Commissioner Susan Aurand, Commissioner Britta Echtle, Commissioner Diana Fairbanks, Commissioner Ron Hinton, Commissioner Kathy Murray, Commissioner Katie Nelson, and Commissioner Rick Perry

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Stacy Hicks

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Jennings asked if there were changes to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[15-0942](#) Approval of September 10, 2015 Arts Commission Minutes

Attachments: [OAC September 10 Minutes](#)

Chair Jennings asked for changes to the September 10 minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved.

[15-0954](#) Approval of September 24, 2015 Arts Commission Minutes

Attachments: [OAC September 24 Minutes](#)

Chair Jennings asked for changes to the September 24 minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners shared information about past and upcoming arts events.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS**7. REPORTS**15-0943 Commission Items

1.12 City Action Plan - No report.

1.13 Park Plan - Jonathon Turlove will be returning with the draft plan in December.

1.14 Downtown Strategy - Saturday, November 21 is the first community planning session. A joint advisory board work session is planned for the spring. An artist will be appointed to the stakeholder group and Ms. Johnson has been invited to sit on the staff committee.

15-0944 Community Events & Outreach Committee Report

1.7 Artspace/Arts Center Support - Commissioner Hinton reported that the Olympia Artspace Alliance has received their most recent report from Artspace, identifying opportunities and challenges in moving forward with an Artspace project in Olympia. The report will be made public soon. The group is gathering letters of intent from potential partners.

1.9 Define Creative District - No report.

1.10 Music in the Neighborhoods - No report.

2.a Arts Walk 50 & 51 - Commissioners shared experiences from the event and felt it generally a positive experience. Mr. Burns noted that formal surveys had been sent to participants in the event, due November 15.

2.3 Area Arts Promotion - No report.

15-0945 Art in Public Places Committee Report

1.1 2015 Municipal Art Plan - Approved

1.2 Traffic Box Wrap - Ms. Johnson shared that with the recent departure of staff liaison Brian Wilson from the PBIA board, the decision has been made to not pursue extra wraps downtown. The project will now move forward into fabrication.

1.3 Music Out Loud - During the early part of the meeting, Ms. Johnson gave a brief presentation to PBIA members at the meeting next door about Music Out Loud. The response was positive, and PBIA members asked that they are consulted during the performance development of the project. The group concurred that noon performances would be preferred as 11am-1pm are the busiest times downtown.

1.4 Percival Plinth Project - Commissioner Fairbanks recapped the People's Choice presentation to Council. She noted that Councilmember Langer expressed concern about placing Olympia Oyster in front of City Hall, and suggested an interior location. She also noted that Council has directed staff to explore lighting options for the pedestal outside City Hall.

1.5 Harrison/Black Lake Tree Guards - No report.

1.6 City Gateways - Commissioners reviewed the report on gateway locations developed during the September 24 Commission field trip. Commissioners Nelson, Aurand, Hinton and Chair Jennings have agreed to work together on developing an

RFQ for a master plan.

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

8. OTHER TOPICS

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Upcoming

Accommodations