



Meeting Minutes

Arts Commission

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Thursday, June 8, 2017

6:00 PM

Room 112

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hicks called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Arts Program Specialist Angel Nava was also in attendance.

Present: 7 - Chair Stacy Hicks, Vice Chair Marygrace Jennings, Commissioner Britta Echtle, Commissioner Timothy Grisham, Commissioner Kathy Murray, Commissioner Katie Nelson and Commissioner Katherine Williams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Diana Fairbanks and Commissioner Ron Hinton

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Hicks asked to add "Music Out Loud Artist Recommendation" and "Donation of **Philosopher** by Kevin Au" to Business Items.

The agenda was approved as amended.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[17-0618](#) Approval of May 11, 2017 Arts Commission Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners shared information about past and upcoming events. Ms. Johnson noted artist Carolyn Law will be working on the West Bay Master Plan, as part of the J.A. Brennan Associates consultant team. Commissioners requested that Ms. Law be asked to share her experiences at some point, working on the West Bay sidewalk and the Master Plan, and the strengths and weaknesses of each organizational approach.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

[17-0664](#) Music Out Loud Artist Recommendation

Ms. Johnson shared images submitted by the seven short-listed artists as recommended by the jury. Commissioner Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner, to approve the recommendation. During discussion, Commissioners determined the work of the jury was incomplete until the list had been trimmed to six semi-finalists. Commissioner Nelson withdrew her motion. Commissioners narrowed the list to six and assigned 2 artists to design artwork for each of the three honored musicians:

Steve Munger: Kaylene Petitt and Nathan Barnes

Bert Wilson: Michele A. Burton and Arrington de Dionyso

Verne Eke: Jennifer Kuhns and Yelizaveta Bakhtina

Commissioner Grisham moved, seconded by Vice Chair Jennings, to modify the jury's recommendation from seven shortlisted artists to six, for the music Out Loud project. The motion passed.

[17-0668](#) Donation of **Philosopher** by Kevin Au

Commissioners asked staff to provide images from three City open space parks: LBA Woods, Mission Creek and Garfield Nature Trail for the July meeting.

The discussion was completed.

7. REPORTS

[17-0619](#) Commission Items

- 1.1 Municipal Art Plan to City Council - Complete
- 1.6 Commission Retreat/Work Session - Retreat Completed
- 2.8 Northwest Public Art Conference - No report.

The report was received.

[17-0620](#) Community Events & Outreach Committee

- 1.4 Arts Center Support - No report.
- 1.5 Support Creative District - No report.
- 1.7 Expressive Enhancement of Downtown - No report.
- 1.8 Proposal for Arts Organizations Granting Program - Staff has set up a meeting to understand legal parameters.
- 2.1 Arts Walk 54 & 55 - Ms. Nava shared images from fall Arts Walk cover artist Evan Clayton Horback. Given several choices, Commissioners determined **Street Love** to be the best fit for the cover.
- 2.3 Arts & Heritage Day at the Capitol - Completed.
- 2.6 Poet Laureate - No report.

The report was received.

[17-0621](#) Art in Public Places Committee

1.2 Music Out Loud - See *Business Items*

1.3 City Gateways - Ms. Johnson shared the preliminary overall findings from the consultants and noted Vice Chair Jennings and Planning Commission Chair Brian Mark will be joining staff to review the draft Master Plan on July 6.

2.2 Public Art Assessment - Commissioners Grisham and Murray returned their binders.

2.4 Traffic Box Mural Wrap Public Art Project - Members of the Art in Public Places Committee directed staff to return in July with images of 10 identified boxes in Olympia to determine their suitability for the Traffic Box Program.

2.5 Percival Plinth Project - Ms. Johnson reported 9 of 10 sculptures have been deinstalled, and reminded Commissioners about the kick-off on July 7. Commissioner asked Ms. Johnson to provide pedestal concepts for **Olympia Oyster's** installation at City Hall.

2.7 Implementation of Temporary Display of Art at City Hall & Programming - Commissioners reviewed the Call for Exhibitions and recommended jurors for the process.

The report was received.

8. OTHER TOPICS - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.