



Meeting Minutes

Arts Commission

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6:00 PM

Online or via phone

Register to

attend:https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_H0GeF245RUeLHuoI3BBkvA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dorgan called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Chair Kathryn Dorgan, Vice Chair Jace Hoag, Commissioner Joe Batt, Commissioner Jim Burlingame, Commissioner Coral Garey, Commissioner Katherine Ransom and Commissioner Tracy Schreiber

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rose Clifthorne

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[24-0134](#) Approval of January 11, 2024 Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [OAC 1.11.24 Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sarah Rawlings introduced herself and shared her concept of a mascot for Olympia. She requested a sub-committee to explore the idea of a mascot and marketing plan as an alternative revenue source for the City. Chair Dorgan noted Boards and Commissions work for the City Council and would be the body best able to respond to her request. Ms. Rawlings said she planned to be at the City Council meeting the following week.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners shared information about past and upcoming arts events.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

[24-0135](#) 2024-2025 Arts Commission Work Plan and Municipal Art Plan

Commissioners reviewed changes made to the 2024-2025 Arts Commission Work Plan and Municipal Art Plan and had no edits. Staff asked to bring the final draft back to the March meeting for approval so that she could do a final typographical review as quite a few changes had been made. Commissioners agreed.

The discussion was completed.

[24-0136](#) New Arts Commissioner Recommendation

Commissioners turned in their review scores ahead of the meeting and staff presented the spreadsheet compiled from their responses. There were sixteen applications for the three openings, and the Commission decided to forward the entire ranked list to the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee for consideration.

Commissioner Burlingame moved, seconded by Commissioner Schreiber, to forward the ranked responses to City Council for consideration. The motion passed unanimously.

[24-0137](#) Percival Plinth Project Recommendation

Ms. Johnson shared the jury recommendation of 17 sculptures for the 2024 Percival Plinth Project, along with the artist statements. Commissioners appreciated the variety in the proposed exhibition, and agreed to move the recommendation forward for City Council consideration.

Vice Chair Hoag moved, seconded by Commissioner Garey, to recommend the slate of sculptures recommended by jury to City Council for consideration. The motion passed unanimously.

7. REPORTS

Ms. Johnson reported Public Works Water Resources was working on an interpretive plan for Yaeger Park that will include a small art component. Staff has asked to brief the Commission on the project and/or invite a Commissioner to the jury panel. Commissioners determined to do both; to learn more about the project at an upcoming meeting, and Commissioners Garey and Schreiber volunteered for the jury.

Ms. Johnson shared the spring Arts Walk poster and noted that to date there were 99 applications received, 16 or so of which were new participating venues.

8. OTHER TOPICS - None**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

