



Arts Commission

Poet Laureate Recommendation to City Council

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Title

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Recommended Action

Move to approve selection committee recommendation of Olympia's next Poet Laureate, and forward to City Council for approval.

Report

Issue:

To review selection committee recommendation of Olympia's next Poet Laureate and make a recommendation to City Council.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

N/A

Background and Analysis:

On Thursday, March 25, seven applications for the Poet Laureate position were reviewed by a five-member committee. Four applicants were short-listed, and interviews are scheduled for 5pm, Thursday, April 1 (interviews follow publication of this agenda). Staff will present the recommendation during the April 8 Arts Commission meeting.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

N/A

Options:

1. Move to approve selection committee recommendation of Olympia's next Poet Laureate, and forward to City Council for approval.
2. Move to modify selection committee recommendation of Olympia's next Poet Laureate, and forward to City Council for approval.
3. Do not approve recommendation.

Financial Impact:

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Annual fee for the Poet Laureate is \$1,500 from the Municipal Art Fund, with \$750 additional in reimbursable expense per year (two-year term).

Attachments:

None