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# AGENDA

## COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING
## 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
## February 28, 2022

CHAIR
Dalia Vidor
COMMISSIONERS
Trevor Allen, Vice Chair
Stacey Loew
Kathy Cook
Askari Sowonde
Andrea Hernandez
Rochelle Del Rosario

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1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

4. **COMMUNICATIONS – 6:05**

   A. City Council Liaison Report
   B. Commission Liaison Report

5. **PRESENTATIONS - 6:10 p.m.**

   A. Megan Preovolos – CAC Grant Recipient – Vallejo Choral Society – Performing Arts
   B. Edgar Arturo Camacho – CAC Grant Recipient – El Comalito Collective – Visual Arts

6. **COMMUNITY FORUM – 6:30 p.m.**

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7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – 6:45 p.m.**

   A. **Approval of Agenda**

   Recommendation: By motion, approve the February 28, 2022 agenda.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 6:45 p.m.**

   **A. Approval of Minutes**

   Recommendation: By motion, approve the minutes from the January 31, 2022 special meeting.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

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**A. Election of Chair and Vice Chair – 6:50 p.m.**
VMC 2.26.070 (A) requires every City Board, Commission or Committee to elect a chairperson and a vice-chairperson from among its members to a term of one year, until a successor is appointed and takes office, and allows a member to serve no more than two consecutive years as Chairperson.

Recommendation: By motion, appoint a Chair and Vice Chair for the Commission on Culture and the Arts.

**B. Art Grant Program Update – 7:00 p.m.**
Renay Conlin, Vallejo Community Arts Foundation, to provide an update.

Recommendation: Information only.

**C. Long Term Arts Funding Policy Update– 7:05 p.m.**
Receive additional input and comments from the Commission regarding Felicia Escover's presentation.

Recommendation: Provide additional input and comments.

**D. Grants Ad Hoc Committee – 7:15 p.m.**
The Ad-Hoc committee will provide an update.

Recommendation: Information only.

**E. Artists Directory – 7:25 p.m.**
Commissioners to discuss the creation of an artists' directory.

Recommendation: Information only.

**F. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding – 7:30**
Staff will report on criteria for use of ARPA funds.

Recommendation: Information only. Calendar for March meeting.

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – 7:40 p.m.**

A. Review and discuss items on the Future Agenda List
- Art in storage
- Retreat/Goal Setting
- Waterfront Park
- Highlighting artists in the Vallejo Weekly

**11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners – 7:50 p.m.**

## 12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: March 28, 2022

## 13. ADJOURNMENT – 8:00 p.m.

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Dated: Thursday, February 24, 2022

*Annette Taylor*

Annette Taylor, Staff Liaison

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# MINUTES

## COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS SPECIAL MEETIMG 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. January 31, 2022

CHAIR
Dalia Vidor
COMMISSIONERS
Trevor Allen, Vice Chair
Stacey Loew
Vacancy
Kathy Cook
Askari Sowonde
Andrea Hernandez

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 p.m.**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

   Present: Dalia Vidor, Chair, Vice Chair Trevor Allen, Commissioners Kathy Cook, Askari Sowonde, Andrea Hernandez

   Absent: Commissioner Stacey Loew

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**

   A. City Council Liaison Report – No report
   B. Commission Liaison Report – Reported that the City Council held interviews for CAC vacancies; four applicants; appointments made at the February 22nd meeting. Also reported that the discussion of ARPA funds will be on February agenda; there are certain requirements for this funding.

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

   A. None

6. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

   None

7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

   Commissioner Sowonde moved and Vice Chair Allen seconded to approve the January 31, 2022 agenda. Approved unanimously, 5-0, Commissioner Loew absent.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chair Allen moved and Commissioner Cook seconded to accept the minutes from the November 22, 2021 meeting. Approved unanimously, 5-0, Commissioner Loew absent.

## 9. ACTION CALENDAR

### A. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Vidor moved and Vice Chair Allen seconded to table the election of Chair and Vice Chair to February 28th meeting to have a full commission seated. Approved unanimously, 5-0, Commissioner Loew absent

### B. Art Grant Program Update

Renay provided update. Written report attached to the agenda packet.

Information only.

### C. Long Term Arts Funding Policy Update

Felicia Escover, Assistant to the City Manager, provided an update on her research and next steps; confirmed policy is an update to Municipal Code is a two-step process; looked at policies and program from other local government agencies; discussed proposed funding categories; asked for feedback from Commissioners. Commissioners provided feedback.

Item continued to February meeting to receive additional input from Commissioners.

### D. Public Art Policy

Angad Gangapurm, Legal Intern, City Attorney's Office, provided an update of where he is with the draft policy and what he is looking for to include in the policy; may consolidate the loan and gift policy into one document. Commissioners provided feedback.

Item continued to March meeting.

### E. Grants Ad Hoc Committee

Chair Vidor provided a list of grants from the California Consulting Municipal Grants list to review and discuss; suggested to work with the city's grant consultant; find out what the commission needs to do; staff discussed the process of utilizing the grant consultant; city pays a monthly fee to the consulting firm; discussed commission is looking for large grants.

### F. Artists Directory

Commission discussed develop a directory of venues and artists' directory assessable to the general public; perhaps select an Ad-Hoc Committee; discussed creating a data base. Provide copy of the arts element of the General Plan. Continue to March meeting.

## 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

### A. Review and Discuss Items on the Future Agenda List

- Art in storage on Mare Island – Tentatively schedule in April or May
- Retreat and goal setting – Waiting for report to be presented to City Council
- Waterfront Park – Project moving forward

## 11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

- Commissioner Cook – Verismo Opera is returning to the Mira Theatre Guild/Bay Terrace Theater for three nights of Mozart's "Don Giovanni" on February 26th at 7 pm, March 6th and 13th at 3 pm.
- Commissioner Sowonde – Black History month celebration, February 26th, Vallejo Naval & Historical Museum; doors open at 6 pm, event 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Chair Vidor – American Buffalo by David Mamet being performed at Bay Area Stage until February 13th.
- Commissioner Hernandez – April 16th, One World Planning Committee multi-cultural event at Fairgrounds, $40;
- Vice Chair Allen – Capitol Stairs project is up, tiles and artwork are on display at the Naval and Historical Museum through end of month, perhaps beyond

## 12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: February 28, 2022

## 13. ADJOURNMENT – 7:54 p.m.

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ATTESTED:

*Dalia Vidor*

DALIA VIDOR, CHAIR

*Annette Taylor*

ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON

**Report for Commission on Culture and the Arts for January, 2022 Meeting**

Bay Area Stage Theater – First payment of $1,219.00 received – Extension requested and granted for completion of project. **Will complete project at end of February and present to the Commission in March.**

Solano Chapter of Links – Received $2,500 will possibly complete project in March of 2022

El Comalito Collective Received 1st payment of $2,500 – **left a message for them and have not heard back.**

SheRoes – Completed

Kids-n-Film – Completed

Shakespeare in the Park - Completed

Solano Aids Coalition – Completed

Vallejo Choral Society has received their first payment. **They completed their project in December and will present in February.**

Vallejo Symphony Orchestra – Completed

Naval Historical Museum – Completed

Shakespeare in the Park – Completed

Vallejo Teaching Artists – Completed

Filipino American Historical Society – Completed

Vallejo Community Arts Foundation – Completed

Filipino Community of Solano County – Pisa Sa Nayon - Completed

Olivia Fabrizio – Requested extension for her project. **It will be completed in the Spring (April) She received her first payment of $2,500.**