



City Council Chambers
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MINUTES

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. August 23, 2020

CHAIR
Dalia Vidor
COMMISSIONERS
Trevor Allen, Vice Chair
Stacey Loew
Ken Mullen
Paul Boneberg
Askari Sowonde
Andrea Hernandez

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Dalia Vidor, Chair, Trevor Allen, Vice Chair, Stacey Loew, Paul Boneberg, Andrea Hernandez

Absent: Ken Mullen, Askari Sowonde

4. COMMUNICATIONS

A. City Council Liaison Report – Councilwoman Verder-Aliga told the Commissioners that she appreciate patience for meeting to take place.

B. Commission Liaison Report – Staff stated that meetings will be held on as needed basis, depending on any actionable items to come before the Commission. Staff is working on holding meetings on a regular basis. Staff addressed questions regarding funding.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. None

6. COMMUNITY FORUM

Gretchen Zimmerman inquired about what to do with Art and Entertainment website. Staff will discuss with Ms. Zimmerman her contract and funding for website. Commission asked staff to keep them informed.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Boneberg moved and Commissioner Allen seconded to approve the August 23, 2020 agenda with correction of the numbering on the agenda. Approved unanimously, 5-0 with Commissioners Mullen and Sowonde absent.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Hernandez moved and Commissioner Vidor seconded to accept the minutes. Approved unanimously, 5-0 with Commissioners Mullen and Sowonde absent.

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Administration of Program Funding

Commissioners discussed the recommendations of the Ad-Hoc Committee presented at the February 24, 2020 meeting and the need to proceed as quickly as possible to get the money out to the community, and the need for arts and culture. Staff informed the Commissioners that the agreement with Vallejo Community Arts Foundation (VCAF) was signed by the City Manager in June 2020 with the Ad-Hoc Committee recommendations. Staff didn't want to bypass the Commission in the process of going forward with VCAF. It was recommended that an announcement go out as soon as possible, an Ad Hoc Committee be created to work with VCAF; timelines, training for applicants, selection process and stated outcomes were discussed.

Commission Hernandez moved and Commissioner Allen seconded to accept the recommendations the Ad Hoc Committee on the number of grants awarded and the percentage of allocation for administration and have the Ad Hoc Committee meet with VCAF. Approved unanimously, 5-0 with Commissioners Mullen and Sowonde absent.

B. Discussion on Draft Public Art Funding Policy

Chairperson Vidor provided an overview of the draft Public Art Funding policy. Discussion included focus on ordinance is to preserve the General Fund and to be able to obtain funding from various places, timing of the request. Council Liaison Verder-Aliga said she agrees that this item should be presented to City Council.

Commissioner Allen moved and Commissioner Loew seconded to accept the recommendations in the draft policy and request Council Liaison Verder-Aliga to request Public Art Funding Policy be placed on a future City Council agenda. Approved unanimously, 5-0 with Commissioners Mullen and Sowonde absent. Council Liaison requested Commissioners attend the City Council meeting. Approved

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- General Plan Art Element
- Art walk Update
- CAC Goals
- Art in Storage
- Long term funding for the arts
- Gift Policy
- Inventory of city art

Commissioner Boneberg asked that the process of how grants are to be awarded be agendized as an Action Item. Chairperson Vidor asked that the draft Gift Policy be agendized for review and make recommendations.

12. **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE:** September 28, 2020

13. **ADJOURNMENT** – 8:02 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Dalia Vidor



DALIA VIDOR, CHAIR

Annette Taylor



ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON