



City Council Chambers
Vallejo City Hall
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MINUTES

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. September 27, 2021

CHAIR
Dalia Vidor
COMMISSIONERS
Trevor Allen, Vice Chair
Stacey Loew
Ken Mullen
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, Stacey Loew, Kathy Cook, Andrea Hernandez

Absent: Ken Mullen, Askari Sowonde

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. City Council Liaison Report – Reported that request for ARPA funds is being considered, details to be determined.
- B. Commission Liaison Report – Reported that the request drafted by the Grant Ad-Hoc Committee was sent to the City Council and approved. Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga will provide additional information. Provided update on Waterfront Park.

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Dalia Vidor – CAC Grant Recipient – Vallejo Shakespeare in the Park – Performing Arts – Reported that they were able to bring back live productions this year, not able to last year due to Pandemic, did two performances in Hann's Park on July 24th and 25th; and at Vito Godfather on August 16th and 17th. Good turnout, was able to reach out to the community to see a live performance.

6. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

None

7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Allen moved and Commissioner Loew seconded to approve the September 27, 2021 agenda. Approved unanimously, 5-0 with Commissioner Sowonde and Mullen absent.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Hernandez moved and Commissioner Cook seconded to accept the minutes from the July 26, 2021 meeting. Approved unanimously, 5-0 with Commissioner Sowonde and Mullen absent.

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Art Grant Program Update

Renay Conlin, Vallejo Community Arts Foundation (VCAF), provided a written report, not able to attend the meeting. Commissioners discussed the report. Commissioner Loew reported they completed their first workshop, had difficulties attracting kids; asked for an extension to February. Discussion regarding funds that may not be spent.

Information only.

B. Commission on Culture & Arts Grant Recipients

Chair Vidor is awaiting Commissioner Sowonde to send raw/original pictures to allow her to put in the links.

Information only.

C. Research Areas of Vallejo to Display Art and/or Hold Events

Commissioner Loew reported that she reached out to 5 venues via their websites, follow up with phone calls; heard back from one venue; asking for specifics of venue. Discussed where the list of venues may be housed and who will do the updating. Talk with Gretchen about dove tailing with her data base; list is for information purposes only.

Information only.

D. Grants Ad Hoc Committee

Chair Vidor reported that Vice Mayor provided a report; looking forward to another granting cycle; haven't heard from Carmen Slack about the NEA grant. Questions regarding the city's grant writing contract, are the arts included in the contract. Grants is another way to fund the arts and cultural activities.

Information only.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Review and Discuss Items on the Future Agenda List

- Art in storage on Mare Island – on hold
- Artist directory – table
- Retreat and goal setting – Waiting for report to be presented to City Council
- Waterfront Park – provide report at appropriate time, staff meeting with Tribe

11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

- Chair Vidor – Shakesfear in the Dark, October 22nd to 24th and 29th to 31st, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 2112 Sonoma Blvd; looking for zombies and other volunteers, masks required.

12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: October 25, 2021

13. ADJOURNMENT – 7:06 p.m.

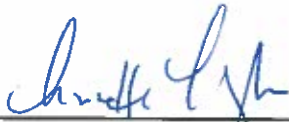
ATTESTED:

Dalia Vidor



DALIA VIDOR, CHAIR

Annette Taylor



ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON