



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. March 27, 2023

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

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Commissioners Kat Cook, Stacey Loew

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. City Council Liaison Report – No report
- B. Commission Liaison Report – Commissioner Del Rosario resigned from the Commission; City Council will make an appointment at the next City Council meeting; other remarks during agenda

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

- A. None.

6. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

None.

7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Vidor moved and Commissioner Allen seconded to approve the March 27, 2023 agenda. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioners Cook and Loew absent.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Vidor moved and Commissioner Hernandez seconded to accept the minutes from the February 27, 2023 regular meeting with corrections to Item 9B. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioners Cook and Loew absent.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. Grant Ad Hoc Committee

(1) National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) Grant

Commissioner Vidor reported that the deadline for the NEA grant is July 6th; Commission has time, look at later time.

(2) Creative Corps Capital Region Program

Commissioner Vidor reported that she reviewed the Creative Corps Capital Region Program. Described the program and the number of grants and amounts available. Provided ideas she thought the Commission may pursue. Deadline to submit is May 1st. Discussion followed. Staff recommended that due to the timeline, schedule a Zoom meeting with three of the Commissioners interested in pursuing the grant.

Commissioner Vidor moved and Commissioner Allen seconded to research pursuing the grant and bring back a recommendation to the Commission next month. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioners Cook and Loew absent.

B. Goals and Work Plan 2023

Staff reported that there was limited response to the request to send in photos and information for the presentation to City Council. Offered to host Zoom meetings to complete; if no response there will not be a presentation to City Council.

Commissioners said they would provide photos and their availability to meet on Zoom.

C. South Waterfront Park

Commissioner Vidor reviewed the letter she drafted to the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation to install the Silent Company sculpture in their proposed development, photos attached.

Commissioner Hernandez moved and Commission Vidor seconded to send the letter to the City Manager's Office to forward to Tribal Council. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioners Cook and Loew absent.

D. Artists Registry

Staff recommend that this item be tabled and put on the Future's Agenda Item List.

Information only.

E. Highlighting Artists in the Vallejo Weekly

Staff reported that Vice Chair Cook requested at last month's meeting that this activity be shared with other Commissioners. Commissioner Sowonde volunteered. Commissioners discussed potential submittals.

Information only.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Review and Discuss Items on the Future Agenda List

- Long-term citywide arts and culture strategy
- Artist Registry

11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

- Commissioner Sowonde reported that tomorrow at City Hall they will be honoring Midge Wagner for what's she done in the community.
- Commissioner Allen reported that the Museum recently honored women in the military; new exhibit was the backdrop,

12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: April 24, 2023

13. ADJOURNMENT – 7:06 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Andrea Hernandez



Andrea Hernandez, CHAIR

Annette Taylor



ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON