



City Council Chambers
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MINUTES

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. November 27, 2023

CHAIR
Andrea Hernandez
COMMISSIONERS
Kathy Cook, Vice Chair
Stacey Loew
Trevor Allen
Dalia Vidor
Annalisa Quismorio
Sara Anders

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

Present: Chair Andrea Hernandez, Vice Chair Kat Cook, Commissioners Trevor Allen, Dalia Vidor, Sara Anders

Absent: Commissioners Stacey and Anna Quismorio

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. City Council Liaison Report – No report.
- B. Commission Liaison Report – Staff provide an update on the missing bust of Madame Benicia Vallejo and respond to questions from the Commissioners.

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. None.

6. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

None.

7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Allen moved and Commissioner Vidor seconded to approve the November 27, 2023, agenda. Approved unanimously 5-0, Commissioners Loew and Quismorio absent.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Vidor moved and Commissioner Allen seconded to accept the minutes from the September 25, 2023, regular meeting. Approved unanimously 5-0, Commissioners Loew and Quismorio absent.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. One People Tribe Mural Project – Rick Weyrich and Susan Slater, Beautification Commission Report

Susan Slater gave an update on the proposed mural at the corner of Farragut and Sacramento Streets, over the train tracks, and presented the Graffiti Prevention – Mural Project Proposal by the One People Tribe Urban Consulting Group. The Beautification Commission is requesting the Commission on Culture & the Arts give their “blessing” for the pilot project. Mr. Weyrich and Ms. Slater responded to Commissioners’ questions.

Chair Hernandez moved and Vice Chair Cook seconded to recommended to moving forward in the process and endorsing the concept, with the idea this item would come back to the Commission to look at the final rendering. Approved unanimously 5-0, Commissioners Loew and Quismorio absent.

B. Public Notice Display at Ferry Terminal

Commissioner Vidor recommend the city move the public notice display from Virginia Street to closer near the ferry terminal. Randy Risner, Chief Assistant City Attorney, opined that this subject matter is outside the Commission’s jurisdiction because it is a city facility. Said a request may be made to the City Manager, who has jurisdiction over the facility. By consensus Commissioner Vidor will draft a letter to the City Manager requesting he looks into relocating or locating a public notice on the waterfront near the ferry building to allow the public to post notices about art shows and cultural events. Letter will be reviewed at the next meeting.

C. Loan and Gift Policy

Randy Risner, Chief Assistant City Attorney, reported that the plan is to take the Loan and Gift Policy to City Council in January. Mr. Risner responded to questions by the Commissioners.

D. Grant Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioner Vidor reviewed the latest grant list and saw nothing pertaining to the arts. The next NEA round will be in February.

E. Highlighting Artists in the Vallejo Weekly

Commissioner Allen said he has a list of artists; however, he would like for the Commissioners to send him their names and information. Commissioners discussed items that may be highlighted.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Review and Discuss Items on the Future Agenda List

- Artist Registry – Commissioner Anders suggested that the Vallejo Arts Fund may be useful with the artist registry. Discussion on previous registry and the process going forward. Waiting to discuss when all Commissioners are in attendance.

- Long-term citywide arts and culture strategy – Discussion by Commissioners.
- Add Inventory/Storage Policy of Artwork to January agenda under Future's List

11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

- Vice Chair Cook stated that she would like to see more artists on the Commission
- Commissioner Vidor announced that there are a lot of holiday events coming up including the Mad Hatter Parade on December 2nd, and that the Mare Island Historic Park Foundation will be having three choral concerts at St. Peter's Chapel during December.
- Commissioner Allen reported that on December 1st at the Vallejo Naval & Historical Museum they will be a Gala, working with Mario Saucedo and the Solano AIDS Coalition for World AIDS Day; on December 10th at the Museum is the start of the historic homes tour, working with Frank Malifrando.

12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: January 22, 2024

13. ADJOURNMENT – 7:14 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Andrea Hernandez

Andrea Hernandez, CHAIR

Annette Taylor

ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF/LIAISON