



Vallejo Room
1st Floor JFK Library
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MINUTES

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. January 22, 2024

CHAIR
Andrea Hernandez
COMMISSIONERS
Kathy Cook, Vice Chair
Trevor Allen
Dalia Vidor
Annalisa Quismorio
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1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Andrea Hernandez, Vice Chair Kat Cook, Commissioners Dalia Vidor, Annalisa Quismorio

Absent: Commissioner Trevor Allen

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**
 - A. City Council Liaison Report – No report.
 - B. Commission Liaison Report – Staff provided the reason why the Commission meeting is being held in the Vallejo Room instead of the Council Chambers. Also reported that the City Council discussed budgets for the Commissions and providing name tags for all Boards and Commissions. Councilmember Arriola provided additional information.
5. **PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. None.
6. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

None.
7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Vidor moved and Commissioner Quismorio seconded to approve the January 22, 2024, agenda. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioner Allen absent.
8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chair Cook moved, and Chair Hernandez seconded to accept the minutes from the November 27, 2023, regular meeting. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioner Allen absent.

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Public Notice Display at Ferry Terminal Letter

Commissioner Vidor presented the letter she drafted to the City Manager's Office on behalf of the Commission requesting the display board located between the buildings at the Marina Towers be relocated adjacent to the Ferry Terminal at the Vallejo Waterfront or requesting a new public Community Announcement Board be created and installed near the Vallejo Ferry Terminal. Vice Chair Cook suggested edits.

Commissioner Vidor moved and Chair Hernandez seconded to forward the letter to the City Manager's Office for consideration with the edits discussed. Approved unanimously 4-0, Commissioner Allen absent.

B. Grants Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioner Vidor reported that the Grant Ad Hoc Committee had not met recently, however a NEA Grant opportunity is coming up. Vice Chair Cook reported that Part 1 of the NEA Grant is due by February 15th, which is the intent to apply; actual application can be submitted between February 21st and 28th; recommend Commission resubmit what was submitted last time; work with City staff to submit Part 1, with updates. Earliest announcement of grant awards will be November 24th, start date January 1, 2025. Another opportunity to submit grant application is July 11th. Grant is for art projects, allows regranteeing of funds, matching grant.

By consensus of the Commissioners, Ad Hoc Committee will work with City staff to resubmit Part 1 of the NEA Grant. Staff will schedule a meeting.

C. Highlighting Artists in the Vallejo Weekly

Staff suggested that Commissioners submit articles even if they have previously submitted articles; there's no limit to the artists, artwork a commissioner may submit. Ask Commissioner Vidor to assist Commissioner Allen with the article on the co-Poet Laureates.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Review and Discuss Items on the Future Agenda List

- Artist Registry – Discussion. Keep on until there is a full Commission.
- Long-term citywide arts and culture strategy – Keep on until there is a full Commission.
- Inventory/Storage Policy of Artwork - Keep on until there is a full Commission.

11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

- Commissioner Quismorio reported that the city's Selection Committee for Poet Laureate of Vallejo selected Jacalyn Eyvonne and Kathleen Hermann as Co-Poet Laureates. Also reported that Poetry Notion is back at JFK Library, second week of

month; February 10th next event; National Poetry Month in April Alibi Book Shop hosting two events.

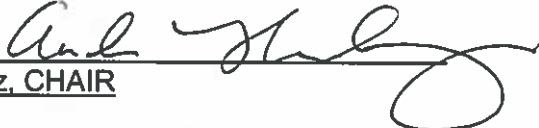
- Vice Chair Cook reported that Poetry by the Bay occurs on the 4th Wednesday of each month at Mira Theatre. Next session is January 27th at 7 pm.

12. **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE:** February 26, 2024

13. **ADJOURNMENT** – 6:29 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Andrea Hernandez


Andrea Hernandez, CHAIR

Annette Taylor


ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON