



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting – Monday, February 22, 2016, 6:00 P.M.

Cultural Arts Division offices

201 E. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas

Commissioners in attendance: Lulu Flores – Chair, Jennifer Chenoweth – Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Jaime Castillo, Amy Wong Mok, Teruko Nimura, Michelle Polgar, Liz White, Bruce Willenzik

CALL TO ORDER –

Chair Flores called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 25, 2016
Minutes approved.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. John Riedie, Austin Creative Alliance – budget process
- b. Jose Acosta, 727 Studios – loss of studio space
- c. Alyssa Taylor Wendt, 727 Studios – loss of studio space

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Flores gave updates on recent working group meetings and welcomed Commissioner Teruko Nimura, the new appointee from District 7.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. Lisa Byrd, African American Cultural Heritage District – Cultural District Projects
- b. Janet Seibert, Cultural Arts Division – ArtSpace Market Survey Report

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Action Items
 - i. Approve Proposed Artwork Donation by North Austin Civic Association for Fourteen Bridges and Two Retaining Walls in the North Austin Civic Association Neighborhood
Presenter: Justin Golbabai, Neighborhood Partnering Program; Brian Almon, NACA Contact Team

Motion: to approve the proposed artwork donation by North Austin Civic Association for fourteen bridges and two retaining walls in the North Austin Civic Association Neighborhood

Made by: Mok Seconded by: Castillo

Vote called: passed 9-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- ii. Approve Temporary Artwork loan by GoodPop (Hannah Goetz and Daniel Goetz) for site at Cesar Chavez and Congress Avenue

Motion: to approve the temporary artwork loan by GoodPop (Hannah Goetz and Daniel Goetz) with an amendment removing the GoodPop name from the signage

Made by: Barnes Seconded by: Willenzik

Vote called: not passed 3-5; Commissioners Barnes, Willenzik, White – for; Commissioners Castillo, Nimura, Polgar, Chenoweth, Mok – against; Chair Flores – abstained; Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

Vice Chair Chenoweth recused herself from items 5.a.iii. – vi. due to a conflict of interest and left the dais.

- iii. Approve the Temporary Artwork Loan by Jennifer Chenoweth of *X Vortex Location Marker* at Barton Springs Bathhouse
Presenter: Frank Wick, Cultural Arts Division Collections Manager; Jennifer Chenoweth, artist

Motion: to approve the Temporary Artwork Loan by Jennifer Chenoweth of *X Vortex Location Marker* at Barton Springs Bathhouse

Made by: Willenzik Seconded by: Polgar

Vote called: passed 8-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent; Vice Chair Chenoweth recused

- iv. Approve the Temporary Artwork Loan by Jennifer Chenoweth of Interactive Mapping Event at Zilker Park
Presenter: Frank Wick, Cultural Arts Division Collections Manager; Jennifer Chenoweth, artist

Motion: to approve the Temporary Artwork Loan by Jennifer Chenoweth of Interactive Mapping Event at Zilker Park

Made by: Polgar Seconded by: Willenzik

Vote called: passed 8-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent; Vice Chair Chenoweth recused

- v. Approve the Artwork Donation by Jennifer Chenoweth of *Dance of the Cosmos* at Zilker Botanical Gardens
Presenter: Frank Wick, Cultural Arts Division Collections Manager; Jennifer Chenoweth, artist

Motion: to approve the Artwork Donation by Jennifer Chenoweth of *Dance of the Cosmos* at Zilker Botanical Gardens

Made by: Barnes Seconded by: Polgar

No vote called.

Motion: to ask the Art in Public Places Panel to evaluate the proposed artwork and whether it should be in the permanent collection

Made by: Barnes Seconded by: Mok

Vote called: passed 7-1; Commissioners Barnes, White, Nimura, Castillo, Polgar, Mok, Flores - for; Commissioner Willenzik - against; Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent; Vice Chair Chenoweth recused

- vi. Approve the Temporary Artwork Loan by Jennifer Chenoweth of *X Vortex Horizontal* at Barton Springs/Zilker Park
Presenter: Frank Wick, Cultural Arts Division Collections Manager; Jennifer Chenoweth, artist

Motion: to approve the Temporary Artwork Loan by Jennifer Chenoweth of *X Vortex Horizontal* at Barton Springs/Zilker Park

Made by: Willenzik Seconded by: Barnes

Vote called: passed 8-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent; Vice Chair Chenoweth recused

- vii. Approve the Community Initiatives Funding Recommendations
Presenter: Jesús Pantel, Cultural Funding Programs
16 CI 38 SP, Big Medium/Alejandra Almuelle
16 CI 39 SP, Big Medium/Colby Brinkman
16 CI 40 SP, Big Medium/Olaniyi Rasheed Akindaya (withdrawn)
16 CI 41 SP, Big Medium/Haley Woodward
16 CI 43 SP, Girls Rock Austin
16 CI 44 SP, VSA Arts of Texas/AllRhythms Youth Ensemble
16 CI 45 SP, Austin Creative Alliance/The Theorists
16 CI 46 SP, Austin Creative Alliance/Jieun Beth Kim

Motion: to approve the Community Initiatives funding recommendations

Made by: Mok Seconded by: Barnes

Vote called: passed 9-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- viii. Approve FY17 Capacity Building Program Guidelines
Presenter: Jesús Pantel, Cultural Funding Programs

Motion: to approve the FY17 Capacity Building Program Guidelines

Made by: Castillo Seconded by: Barnes

Vote called: passed 9-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- ix. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Cultural Heritage Festivals
Program Funding Matrix

Motion: to use the existing funding matrix used in round one of Cultural Heritage Festivals Program funding

Made by: Willenzik Seconded by: Chenoweth

Vote called: passed 9-0, Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- x. Update from Affordability Working Group with Possible Action
Presenters: Commissioners Chenoweth, Polgar, Barnes

Motion: to approve Recommendations to Council requesting support for the development and maintenance of affordable space and requesting support for funds and resources for the creative community

Made by: Willenzik

Seconded by: Castillo

Vote called: passed 8-1; Commissioners Barnes, Nimura, Castillo, Polgar, Mok, Flores, Willenzik for; Commissioner White against; Commissioners McCain and Stillwell absent

- xi. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Pending Music Resolution Announcement
(Sponsors: Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Polgar)
Presenter: Frank Rodriguez, Mayor's office

No action taken.

- xii. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Unmet Needs for Cultural Arts Division
(Sponsors: Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Polgar, Vice Chair Chenoweth)

No action taken.

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Update on current Cultural Arts Division projects and activities
 - i. Art in Public Places Outreach, presenter: Lani Gonzalez, Arts Marketing Specialist

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- a. Vice Chair Chenoweth gave information about Teruko Nimura's project for Drawing Lines on February 28 in Beverly Sheffield Park.
- b. Commissioner Willenzik gave information about public meetings about alternative funding options for special events.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Unmet Needs for Cultural Arts Division
- b. Approve Cultural Heritage Festivals Program Guidelines
- c. Approve Core Programs Guidelines

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Flores adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m.