



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting – Monday, April 15, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

City Hall, Council Chambers Room 1001

301 W 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Jaime Castillo – Chair, Michelle Polgar–Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Lulu Flores, Bears Rebecca Fonte, Felipe Garza, Mary Latouf, Amy Mok, Megan Moten, Krissi Reeves, Celina Zisman

Commissioners Barnes and Reeves

CALL TO ORDER – 6:05 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes for the Arts Commission Regular Meeting on March 18, 2019
Moved: Polgar Seconded: Mok
Vote: 9-0
Commissioners Barnes and Reeves

2. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Laura Esparza, Artist Access Program update
Artist Access Program has completed the community engagement and has completed the placement of FY19 participants. Were able to place 14 organizations/artists.
- b. Capacity Building Applications for April, presented by Laura Odegaard, Cultural Arts Funding Program Specialist
10 applicants awarded funds for April. Over the last 4 years 196 artists/Arts groups have received funds.
- c. Hotel Occupancy Tax report, presented by Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager
- d. Chapter 380 update

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

Reminder that as we work on big issues consider the 4 pillars –

Cultivate Leadership – develop current and emerging leaders

Ensure and Encourage Equity – reflect the growing diverse population of Austin

Foster Collaboration – contribute to Austin's robust arts eco-system

Inspire Evolution – achieve advancement through innovation and resiliency

- a. Art In Public Places Arts Commission Liaison Report
- b. Downtown Commission Liaison Report

Commissioner Barnes joins the dais

4. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL – 6:30 PM Time Certain

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

None

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- a. Simone Wicha, Blanton
- b. Cynthia Perez, La Pena
- c. Jane Clare Harvey, BossBabes
- d. Ashland Viscosi, CreativesMeetBusiness
- e. Kevin Johnson, Park Development Project Manager - Dougherty Arts Center Redevelopment Project

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Election of Arts Commission Chair and Vice Chair
Motion to nominate Commissioner Castillo as Chair
Motioned: Fonte Seconded: Polgar
10-0 Approved, Commissioner Reeves Absent

Motion to nominate Commissioner Polgar as Vice Chair
Motioned: Mok Seconded: Fonte
10-0 Approved, Commissioner Reeves Absent
- b. Discussion and possible action to make a recommendation to Council for approval of the proposed Dougherty Arts Center redevelopment site at Butler Shores Park
Motion to recommend approval of the proposed Dougherty Arts Center redevelopment site at Butler Shores Park
Motioned: Mok Seconded: Flores
Vote: 7 - 3
For: Commissioners Latouf, Zisman, Polgar, Castillo, Flores, Mok, and Garza
Against: Commissioners Fonte, Barnes, Moten,
Commissioner Reeves Absent
- c. Discussion and possible action to approve the Final Design for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Terminal Expansion Phase I Art in Public Places Project
Motion to approve the Final Design for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Terminal Expansion Phase I.
Motioned: Mok Seconded: Polgar
Vote: 9-1-0
For: Latouf, Zisman, Fonte, Moten, Polgar, Castillo, Flores, Mok, Barnes
Against: Garza
Commissioner Reeves Absent

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve the Selection Recommendation Process for TEMPO 2019 Art in Public Places Projects
Motion to approve the Selection Recommendation Process for TEMPO 2019.
Motioned: Barnes Seconded: Polgar
Vote: 8-2-0
For: Latouf, Moten, Polgar, Castillo, Flores, Mok, Garza, Barnes
Against: Commissioners Zisman, Fonte
Commissioner Reeves Absent

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve the Prospectus for the Givens Pool Phase I Art in Public Places Project
Motion to approved the Prospectus for the Givens Pool Phase I.
Motioned: Barnes Seconded: Flores
Vote: 10-0
Commissioner Reeves Absent

- f. Discussion and action on Establishing Community Initiatives Application Review Working Group
Motion to Establishing Community Initiatives Application Review Working Group with Commissioners Fonte, Polgar, Zisman and Commissioner Flores as alternate.
Motioned: Flores Seconded: Zisman
Vote: 10-0
Commissioner Reeves Absent

Commissioner Mok left the dais

- g. Discussion and action on Establishing Funding Matrix Working Group
Motion to establish Funding Matrix Working Group with commissioners Polgar, Flores, Fonte, Latouf
Motioned: Flores Seconded: Barnes
Vote: 9-0-1
Commissioner Mok Recused
Commissioner Reeves Absent

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Action Items

Commissioner Mok returned to the dais

- i. Discussion and possible action on FY20 City Budget Recommendation
No action taken

- ii. Discussion and possible action on Arts Commission Annual Retreat
No action taken

- iii. Discussion and possible action on Appointing Downtown Commission Liaison
Motion to appoint Commissioner Garza as Arts Commission Downtown Commission Liaison
Motioned: Mok Seconded: Flores
Vote: 10-0
Commissioner Reeves Absent

- iv. Working Group Updates
 - A. Update from Latino Arts Residency Program (LARP) Review Community Engagement Panel
Gave final presentation

Commissioner Moten off the dais

 - B. Update from Joint Music/Arts Working Group
No action taken

 - C. Cultural Funding Program Responsiveness Working Group – Chair Castillo, Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Mok, McCain and chaired by Commissioner Fonte.
No action taken

 - D. Cultural Equity Working Group - Commissioners Flores, Fonte, and Mok along with community member Sarah Rucker
No action taken

 - E. Arts Commission Bylaws Working Group - Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Flores, Reeves
No action taken

 - F. Joint Arts and Music land development and permitting working group
No action taken

 - G. Community Initiatives Guidelines Working Group - Commissioners Fonte, Polgar and Moten
No action taken

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Next Regular Meeting will be on **Monday, May 20 @ 6pm at Twin Oaks Branch Library, 1800 S. 5th St., Austin, TX, 78704**

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chapter 380 update presented by Julia Campbell

ADJOURNMENT – 8:55

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