



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting – Monday, November 19, 2018, 6:00 P.M.

City Hall, Executive Session Room 1027

301 W 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Jaime Castillo – Chair, Michelle Polgar–Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Chris Bryan, Lulu Flores, Bears Fonte, Felipe Garza, Alissa McCain, Amy Mok, Megan Moten, Krissi Reeves

CALL TO ORDER – 6:06 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes for the Arts Commission Regular Meeting on October 15, 2018

Approved

Moved for approval by Polgar, Seconded by Flores

Approved

Vote 7-0

Barnes and Mok off dais, Garza absent

2. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Capacity Building Applications for November, presented by Laura Odegaard, Cultural Arts Funding Program Associate
- b. Hotel Occupancy Tax Report, presented Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

Continued conversations about arts funding with the arts community are being had and the community wants to know what is plan for next year.

4. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES ARTS COMMISSION LIAISON REPORT

Thanks for speaking to your Council Members as everything passed on consent. Stressed importance of funding for TEMPO.

5. 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 signed up.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- a. Noel Gaulin of Theater Heroes
- b. ZACH Theatre on ArtPass

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and Action Items

- i. Approve the Final Design by Marc Fornes of THEVERYMANY for the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Parking Garage Art in Public Places Project

Motion: Approve the Final Design by Marc Fornes of THEVERYMANY for the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Parking Garage Art in Public Places Project on consent.

Motioned: Fonte Seconded: Flores

Motion approved 10-0, Garza absent.

- ii. Approve the Prospectus for 51st Street Improvements Art in Public Places Project

Motion: Approve the Prospectus for 51st Street Improvements Art in Public Places Project.

Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Flores

Substitute Motion: Directive for the AIPP Panel to adopt inclusive language as suggested by the following language for future prospecti (and selection panelists and artists): “To ensure equitable consideration of all artists, and to provide members of historically underrepresented artistic communities experience in preparing for finalist interviews, the Selection Panel will make every effort that at least one finalist for the opportunity will be a member of a historically underrepresented community. For the purposes of this opportunity, historically underrepresented shall include any artist who identifies as African-American, Arab-American, Asian-American, LatinX, Pacific Islander, Indigenous Nations, LGBTQ, or a person with a disability. Should a semifinalist round be required, the Selection Panel will make every effort that at least 33% of semi-finalists identify with historical underrepresented communities.”

Motion approved 10-0, Garza absent.

Motion: Take Item 8.a.ii.2. out of order before Item 7.a.iii.

Motioned: Fonte Seconded: Flores

Motion approved 10-0, Garza absent.

- iii. Approve October FY19 Community Initiatives Applications

Motion: Suspend rules and take Item 8.a.ii.2. out of order.

Motioned: Fonte Seconded: Flores

Motion approved by consent, Garza absent, McCain abstaining on 19 CI 64 SP.

Motion: Approve October FY19 Community Initiatives Applications.

Motioned: Fonte Seconded: Flores
Motion approved 10-0, Garza absent.

Substitute Motion: To reduce Quarters 3 and 4 by \$2,000 each so that 18 CI 25 and 18 CI 30 be funded.

Motioned: Barnes Seconded: Polgar

Motion failed 3-7 Commissioners Castillo, Flores, Fonte, McCain, Mok, Moten, and Reeves voting Aye, Commissioners Barnes, Bryan, and Polgar voting Nay, and Commissioner Garza absent.

iv. Approve Arts Commission FY19 Meeting Schedule

Item postponed to next meeting.

v. Form a joint Music/Arts Commission Working Group as discussed at the September joint Music/Arts Commission meeting.

Do not need to revote since the audio showed the item passed, so minutes will need to be updated.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and Action Items

i. Omnibus

1. Update from Joint Music/Arts Working Group

ii. Working Group Updates

1. Cultural Funding Program Responsiveness Working Group – Chair Castillo, Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Mok, McCain and chaired by Commissioner Fonte.

2. Community Initiative Guidelines Working Group - Commissioners Fonte, McCain, Reeves, and Flores

Item taken out of order, before Item 7.a.iii. Discussion of a Community Initiatives Working Group reviewing applications prior to sending to the full Commission and whether it should be the same Commissioners or different ones each quarter, with one holdover who is a non-voting member. Also discussion on conflicts of interest, so have a Working Group of 3 with 1 alternate.

Motion: Approve Community Initiatives Working Group recommendations.

Motioned: Polgar Seconded: Flores
Motion approved, Garza absent.

3. Capacity Building Guidelines Working Group – Chair Castillo, Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Mok, Garza
4. Cultural Equity Working Group - Commissioners Flores, Fonte, and Mok along with community member Sarah Rucker
5. Arts Commission Bylaws Working Group - Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioners Flores, Reeves,
6. Venue Crisis Action Plan Working Group - Vice Chair Polgar, Commissioner Reeves,
Disband.

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Next Regular Meeting will be on **Monday, December 10 @ 6pm at Manchaca Branch Library 5500 Manchaca Road, Austin, TX 78745**

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Recurring downtown commission update on Old Business (Bryan and Polgar)

Blanton special presentation

New Business – moving some items to consent agenda (Fonte and Reeves)

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