



**The Austin Music Commission convened on August 2, 2021, via videoconference.**

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chair – Jonathan “Chaka” Mahone, Vice-chair – Anne-Charlotte Patterson, Secretary – Oren Rosenthal, Parliamentarian – Graham Reynolds, Gavin Garcia, Lauryn Gould, Christopher Limon, Nagavalli Medicharla, Stuart Sullivan

**Staff in Attendance:** Erica Shamaly, Kim McCarson, Stephanie Bergara

**CALL TO ORDER 6:33pm**

**MUSICAL PERFORMANCE**

Paul Limón Sr. & Big Band Tejano  
EASY COMPADRE

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

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. No speakers signed up.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of minutes from the July 12, 2021, Music Commission meeting. Commissioner Reynolds motions to approve, Chair Mahone seconds. Carries 9-0.

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and Possible Action following update from Joyce James of Joyce James Consulting on Live Music Venue Preservation Fund equity strategic plan process. No action taken.
- b. Discussion and Possible Action on directing Council to allocate \$10 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to music as specified by Council Member Fuentes resolution approved on May 20th. Statement of support: Vice-chair Patterson motions for the Music Commission to recommend support of Council Member Fuentes’s May resolution providing \$5M over two years in ARPA funding for the music economy based on the necessity of investment in our music economy, the economic emergency created by the pandemic, and increasing unaffordability in Austin. Commissioner Reynolds seconds. Motion carries 9-0.

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and Possible Action after staff update on feedback on the Live Music Fund Event Program. Commissioner Reynolds motions to move up to item 3d. Chair Mahone seconds. No action taken on item 3a.
- b. Discussion and Possible Action after update on Austin Economic Development Corporation (AEDC). Commissioner Medicharla motions and Commissioner Limon seconds to move this an agenda item to the next meeting including: the feasibility of the AEDC to administer the Live Music Fund. Chair Mahone motions to have update from staff on 3<sup>rd</sup> party considerations to run the Live Music Fund. Commissioner Reynolds seconds.
- c. Discussion and Possible Action on which working groups are still active and which are dissolved. Commissioner Reynolds motions and Vice-chair Patterson seconds to move working group item to the next meeting.
- d. Discussion and Possible Action following update from Joint Arts and Music Commission Land Use Group. Commissioner Reynolds motions to support letter regarding language that includes music in the land development code, Commissioner Stuart seconds. Motion carries 9-0.
- e. Discussion and Possible Action after update from Finance Working Group. No action taken.
- f. Discussion and Possible Action after update from Systemic Racism Working Group. No action taken.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

In addition to the above-mentioned items:

Vice-chair Patterson motions and Commissioner Reynolds seconds for Discussion and Possible Action regarding COVID precautions that have been used at venues.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Mahone motions, Commissioner Reynolds seconds. Meeting adjourns at 9:30pm.

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