



ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
November 15, 2021 AT 6:00 PM
Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, Room 1001
301 W 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701

Some members of the Arts Commission may be participating by videoconference.

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CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Michelle Polgar – Chair, Celina Zisman – Vice Chair, Brett Barnes, Jaime Castillo, Lulu Flores, Felipe Garza, Acia Gray, kYmberly Keeton, Amy Mok, Heidi Schmalbach, Rick Van Dyke

Commissioner Keeton Absent

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers who register to speak no later than noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes for the regular Arts Commission meeting on:
 - i. October 18, 2021
- Postpone approval to the December 15, 2021 Meeting

2. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a. Updates
- b. Art in Public Places Liaison Report - Commissioner Barnes
- c. AEDC/Cultural Trust Advisory Committee Report – Carl Settles
- d. Downtown Commission Report – Commissioner Keeton

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. ARPA and Non-Profit Relief Funding Update – Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager
- b. Hotel Occupancy Tax Update – Sylnovia Holt-Rabb, Acting Economic Development Department Director
- c. Cultural Funding Review Process Update – Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. AEDC update - board nominations due by mid-January 2022 – David Colligan, Acting Chief Operating Officer, Austin Economic Development Corporation
- b. Public City – Miriam Conner, The Pillars Project round two opening event
- c. Creative Consortium Presentation – Cory Baker, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Long Center

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action on Working Groups and Working Group Updates
 - i. Joint Working Group for Joint Cultural Committee with Commission Chair Polgar, Commissioner Castillo (chair) and working group members from the Quality of Life Commissions
No action taken
 - ii. Joint Music/Arts Commission Working Group to identify additional funding resources and strategies beyond HOT with Commissioner Schmalbach (chair), and Commissioners Castillo, Flores, Zisman and members from the Music Commission
No action taken
 - iii. Equity Working Group with Community Arts leaders of the BIPOC/LGBTQIA/Disabilities Community/Women with Commissioners Polgar, Castillo, Keeton, Gray, and community members
No action taken
 - iv. Quarterly Arts Community Commission Meet-ups Working Group with Commissioners Barnes, Castillo, Garza and Gray
No action taken
 - v. Emergency Funding and Proactive Strategies for Future Funding Working Group with Commissioners Flores, Schmalbach, Van Dyke, and Zisman (chair) with Commissioner Barnes as back-up
No action taken
 - vi. Public Private Partnership (P3) working group with Commissioners Barnes (Chair), Schmalbach, Flores and Mok
No action taken
 - vii. Art Neighborhoods Working Group with Commissioners Gray, Mok, Zisman, and Van Dyke (chair)
No action taken
- b. Discussion and possible action on Cultural Funding Review Process
No action taken
- c. Discussion and possible action on Community Engagement
 - i. Reinstate Artist Invitations to Arts Commission Meeting
No action taken

Commissioner Schmalbach off the dais
- d. Discussion and possible action on Recovery and Resiliency Strategies
 - i. Economic Recovery & Resiliency Framework
Motion to reform the AEDC Nomination Committee with Commissioners Flores (chair) and Polgar
Motioned: Castillo Seconded: Mok
9-0
 - ii. Additional Strategies
No action taken

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. AIPP Discussion and Action Items

Motion to approve AIPP Items 6.a.i, and 6.a.ii on consent

Moved: Flores Seconded: Gray

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- i. Approve the Artwork Loan, entitled Reflections of You, by Ian Ingram and Becky Wittsche, located beneath Barton Springs Bridge at the Zilker Park mini-train track, loaned by Austin Parks Foundation
Approved on consent
- ii. Approve the Selection Process Recommendation for Barton Springs Bathhouse Rehabilitation Art in Public Places Project
Approved on consent

Commissioner Schmalbach returned to the dais

- iii. Approve the Joint Prospectus for the Colony Park Pool, Givens Park Renovation and Givens Pool Renovation Phase II Art in Public Places Projects

Motion to approve the Joint Prospectus for the Colony Park Pool, Givens Park Renovation and Givens Pool Renovation Phase II

Motioned: Barnes Seconded: Mok

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b. Misc. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- i. Roadmap

No action taken

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

AEDC board member nominations

ADJOURNMENT: 8:16 PM

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