



The Austin Music Commission convened in a regular meeting on December 6th, 2021, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd St. Austin, TX 78701

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chair - Anne-Charlotte Patterson, Vice-chair - Nagavalli Medicharla, Secretary - Oren Rosenthal, Parliamentarian - Graham Reynolds, Gavin Garcia, Lauryn Gould (virtual), Christopher Limon, Jonathan “Chaka” Mahone (virtual), Patrice Pike, Scott Strickland, Stuart Sullivan (virtual)

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

CALL TO ORDER 6:43pm

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

NITA
BettySoo

Due to technical difficulties uploading BettySoo performance, Chair Patterson motions to skip ahead to rest of agenda, Commissioner Reynolds seconds.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

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.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes from Regularly Scheduled Meeting on November 1, 2021. Commissioner Reynolds motions to approve the minutes, Chair Patterson seconds. Motion carries 10-0. Commissioner Limon is absent.

Commissioner Limon arrives 7:04pm

2. CHAIR’S REPORT

Looking ahead to issues facing the music community in 2022.

3b. Commissioner Reynolds motions to move up item 3b, Commissioner Strickland seconds. Commission discusses which working groups are active and which are dissolved. No action taken.

BettySoo performance is played.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action regarding process for nominating board representation for the Austin Economic Development Corporation (AEDC). Commissioner Rosenthal moves to reappoint Emmett Beliveau, Commissioner Reynolds seconds. Motion carries 11-0 to approve nomination.
- b. Discussion and Possible Action on which working groups are still active and which are dissolved. This item was moved up after the Chair's Report.
- c. Discussion and Possible Action after update from Systemic Racism Working Group. No action taken.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action following update from the Working Group on the Live Music Fund Eligibility Requirements/Stakeholders. Speakers: Eileen Bristol representing Sarah Lounge speaks in support of funds helping bands through professional development and promotion. Tomar Williams representing EQ Austin speaks about putting power/money into musicians' hands for studio recording, video production, distribution. No action taken.
- b. Discussion and Possible Action on Music Venue Preparedness for Accessibility for People with Disabilities following presentation by Bruce Elfant, Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector and Voter Registrar. Commissioners Strickland, Rosenthal, and Gould volunteer as delegates to future task force. No action taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Rosenthal motions for Discussion and Possible Action on voter registration and Music Commission to drive registration. Commissioner Strickland seconds.

Commissioner Strickland motions to Discussion and Possible Action on increasing City rate for musicians. Chair Patterson seconds.

Commissioner Reynolds motions Discussion and Possible Action following presentation by Bill Manno, Program Manager, Austin Center for Events, to discuss venue safety priorities. Chair Patterson seconds.

Chair Patterson motions to move Live Music Fund Guidelines/Eligibility to Old Business. Vice-chair Medicharla seconds.

Chair Patterson motions for Austin Economic Development Corporation update. Commissioner Strickland seconds.

ADJOURNMENT 9:19pm

Chair Patterson motions, Commissioner Reynolds seconds to adjourn.

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