



ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

December 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.

The meeting may be viewed online at:

<http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live>

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 Flores, Absent

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: 6:06

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

Motion to approve the minutes for the regular Arts Commission Meeting on October 18, 2021 and November 15, 2021 as amended.

Moved: Castillo Seconded: Gray

Passed on Consent

2. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a. Updates
- b. Art in Public Places Liaison Report - Commissioner Barnes
- c. Downtown Commission Report – Commissioner Keeton

Motion to move special presentation to before staff briefings

Motioned: Mok Seconded: Castillo

Passed on consent

- d. AEDC/Cultural Trust Advisory Committee Report – Carl Settles

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
- d. Art in Public Places Program Update – Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places Program Manager

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. Austin Cultural Trust RFP – Anne Gatling Haynes, Austin Economic Development Corporation
- b. Miriam Conner for Public City – Public City Project Update

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. Quarterly Arts Community Commission Meet-ups Working Group with Commissioners Barnes, Castillo, Garza and Gray
No action taken
 - iv. Equity Working Group with Community Arts leaders of the BIPOC/LGBTQIA/Disabilities Community/Women with Commissioners Polgar, Castillo, Keeton (chair), Gray, and community members
No action taken
 - v. Emergency Funding and Proactive Strategies for Future Funding Working Group with Commissioners Flores, Schmalbach, Van Dyke, and Zisman (chair)
No action taken
 - vi. Art Neighborhoods Working Group with Commissioners Gray, Mok, Zisman, and Van Dyke (chair)
No action taken
 - vii. Public Private Partnership (P3) working group with Commissioners Barnes (Chair), Schmalbach, Flores and Mok as a back-up
No action taken
- b. Discussion and possible action on Cultural Funding Review Process

No action taken

c. Discussion and possible action on Economic Recovery and Resiliency

No action taken

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Appoint Arts Commission representative to AEDC Board

Motion to reappoint Carl Settles as the Arts Commission representative to the AEDC Board

Motioned: Castillo Seconded: Schmalbach

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Commissioner Flores absent

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Schedule Arts Commission Retreat

ADJOURNMENT - 7:58pm

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For more information on the Arts Commission, please contact Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis at 512-974-7854.