



**ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
October 17, 2022**

The Arts Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on October 17, 2022, at Austin City Hall, Board & Commissions Room at 301 W 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Acting Chair Barnes called the Arts Commission Meeting to order at 6:04 PM

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:

Brett Barnes, Acia Gray, Monica Maldonado

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Celina Zisman - Chair, Lulu Flores, Michelle Polgar

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Hector Ordaz spoke on the Thrive program.
Sylvia Orozco spoke about HOT funds.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Arts Commission Regular Meeting on September 19, 2022.
The minutes from the meeting of September 19, 2022 were approved on Commissioner Polgar's motion, Commissioner Maldonado second on a 6-0 vote with Commissioners Garza, Mok, and Schmalbach absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Discussion of Chair's Report regarding the path ahead by Chair Zisman
Skipped agenda item.
3. Discussion of the Art in Public Places Liaison Report by Commissioner Gray
No report as there was no Art in Public Places panel meeting.
4. Discussion of the Austin Economic Development Corporation/Cultural Trust Advisory Committee by Austin Economic Development Corporation Board Member Carl Settles
A presentation was made by Board Member Settles.
5. Discussion of the Downtown Commission by Commissioner Mok
No report was made.
6. Presentation by Melissa Ayala and Donald Miller of Waterloo Greenway on Creek Show
A presentation on Waterloo Greenway and Creek Show was made by Melissa Ayala and Donald Miller.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

7. Staff briefing regarding an update on the Hotel Occupancy Tax by Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager
The presentation was made by Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager in the Economic Development Department.
8. Staff briefing regarding the Cultural Arts Funding Programs by Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager, and Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager
The presentation was made by Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager, and Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager, in the Economic Development Department
9. Staff briefing regarding the Thrive review panelists by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Funding Supervisor and Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager
The presentation was made by Laura Odegaard, Cultural Investment Program Manager in the Economic Development Department and Jesús Pantel, Cultural Funding Supervisor.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

10. Approve Thrive review panelists
The motion to approve Thrive review panelists was approved on Commissioner Polgar's motion, Commissioner Flores second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Garza and Schmalbach absent.
11. Establish a selection committee to recruit/appoint new Art in Public Places Panel members
A motion to approve Commissioner Barnes and also appoint him as chair was approved on Commissioner Polgar's motion, Commissioner Flores second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Garza and Schmalbach absent.
12. Approve 2023 Arts Commission meeting schedule
Tabled until next meeting, on Commissioner Polgar's motion, Commissioner Flores second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Garza and Schmalbach absent.

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

13. Update from Equity Working Group with Community Arts leaders of the BIPOC/LGBTQIA/Disabilities Community/Women with Commissioners Gray, Maldonado, Polgar, Zisman, and community members
No update.
14. Update from Joint Working Group for Joint Cultural Committee with Commissioners Polgar (chair) and working group members from the Quality of Life Commissions
No update.
15. Update from Public Private Partnership (P3) Working Group Commissioners Flores, Gray (chair), Mok, and Schmalbach
No update.

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16. Update from Quarterly Arts Community Commission Meet-ups Working Group with Commissioners Barnes, Garza (chair), Gray, and Zisman
An update was provided by Commissioner Gray.
17. Update from Emergency Funding and Proactive Strategies for Future Funding Working Group with Commissioners Flores, Polgar, Schmalbach, Van Dyke, and Zisman (chair)
No update
18. Update from Art Neighborhoods Working Group with Commissioners Gray, Mok, Zisman, and Van Dyke (chair)
Tabled until next meeting

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chair Barnes adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the December 12, 2022 meeting on Commissioner Polgar's motion, Commissioner Gray second on a 8-0 vote.