



**ARTS AND MUSIC COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING
MINUTES
8 April 2023**

The Arts and Music Commissions convened in a joint meeting on 8 April 2023, at City Hall Boards and Commissions Room 1101, 301 W 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701 at 11:00am.

Music Chair Patterson called the Joint Arts and Music Commission Meeting to order at 11:27a.m.

Arts Commissioners in Attendance: Celina Zisman - Chair, Heidi Schmalbach - Vice Chair, Kate Csillagi, Acia Gray, Monica Maldonado, Nagavalli Medicharla, Amy Mok

Arts Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: None

Music Commissioners in Attendance: Anne-Charlotte Patterson - Vice Chair, Oren Rosenthal – Parliamentarian, Shane Bartell, Leonard Davila, Lauryn Gould, Scott Strickland

Music Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: Jonathan “Chaka” Mahone, Celeste Quesada

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

No speakers

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion of welcoming Commissioners, Commissioner introduction, and ice breaker. Vice Chair Patterson motions to suspend Robert’s Rules, Commissioner Rosenthal seconds. Motion passes unanimously 14-0. Commissioners Gray, and Mahone were not present on the dais yet for this vote. Commissioners Garza, Blevins, and Sullivan were absent.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Staff presentation on Cultural Arts Division funding programs by Laura Odegaard, Acting Division Manager, Cultural Arts Division, Economic Development Department.
3. Staff presentation on Music & Entertainment Division funding programs by Erica Shamaly, Division Manager, Music & Entertainment Division, Economic Development Department. Commissioner Bartell left the meeting at 12:00. Commissioners Mahone and Acia Gray joined the dais 12:48pm. Commissioner Quesada leaves the dais 1:30pm. Break 1:33pm. Commissioners return to dais 1:40pm.

4. Special presentation on Urban Land Use by Donald Jackson, Business Processing Consultant, Economic Development Department. Commissioner Davila left the meeting 1:40pm. Commissioner Mahone left the meeting at 2:15pm. Commissioner Medicharla switches to serve as music commissioner instead of arts commissioner.

Approval of Arts Commission to accept definitions by Chair Zisman’s motion Commissioner Mok’s second on a unanimous vote 6-0 with Commissioner Garza absent; Approval of the Music Commission to accept definitions by Vice Chair Patterson’s motion Commissioner Gould’s second on a unanimous vote 6-0. Commissioners Bartell and Davila were absent.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. Discussion and possible action following briefing by the Land Use Working Group.

No action taken.

6. Discussion and possible action on Cultural Arts Division and Music & Entertainment Division funding programs.

No action taken.

7. Discussion and possible action on annual budget recommendations.

Approval to adopt Arts Commission budget recommendations on Commissioner Mok’s motion and Commissioner Gray’s second passes on a unanimous 7-0 vote, Commissioner Garza absent.

8. Discussion and possible action on strategy to better support arts and culture service organizations.

No action taken.

9. Discussion and possible action on short term rentals as they relate to Hotel Occupancy Tax fund collections.

No action taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion and possible action on the working group on culture service organizations and short term rentals as they relate to Hotel Occupancy Tax.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Mok motions to adjourn and Chair Patterson seconds. Joint Commission meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the May 1, 2023, meeting on Commissioner Strickland’s motion, Commissioner Davila’s second, and a unanimous vote. Commissioner Bartell was absent.