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AGENDA

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. FEBRUARY 26, 2018

CHAIR
Paul Boneberg, Chair
COMMISSIONERS
Genea Brice, Vice Chair
Bonnie Bernhardt
Lawrence Finkelstein
Ram Giri
Trevor Allen
Dalia Vidor

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1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **COMMUNICATIONS**
 - A. City Council Liaison Report
 - B. Commission Liaison Report
5. **PRESENTATIONS - 6:10 p.m.**

- A. Askari Sowonde Productions (Event producer – Kwanzaa, Black History Month, Unity Day, Juneteenth, etc.)

6. COMMUNITY FORUM – 6:25 p.m.

Anyone wishing to address the commission on any matter for which another opportunity to speak is not provided on the agenda, and which is within the jurisdiction of the commission to resolve, is requested to submit a completed speaker card to the Executive Secretary of the Commission. When called upon, each speaker should state his /her name, and address for the record. The conduct of the community forum shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes, with each speaker limited to three minutes pursuant to Vallejo Municipal Code Section 2.20.300.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – 6:40 p.m.

Recommendation: By motion, approve the February 26, 2018 agenda

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 6:40 p.m.

A. **Approval of Minutes**

Recommendation: By motion, approve the minutes from the January 22, 2018 regular meeting

9. ACTION CALENDAR – 6:45 pm

A. **Art Gift Policy – 6:45 pm**

Recommendation: Discuss the Draft Gift Policy and;
By motion, identify components and issues for legal consideration.

B. **Ad Hoc Committee on Culture – 7:00 p.m.**

Recommendation: By motion, appoint no more than 3 commissioners to the Ad Hoc Committee

C. **Discussion on Future Arts Program Funding – 7:10 p.m.**

Recommendation: Discuss early concepts and strategies to implement the recently-adopted Public Art Policy through a Pilot City Art & Culture Program

D. **Poet Laureate Invitation – 7:30 p.m.**

Recommendation: By motion, request a formal City invitation to the Poet Laureate for a future event in Vallejo.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS, ACTIVITY REPORTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. **Update on March 13th City Council Presentation on CAC’s Goals & Accomplishments – 7:35 p.m.**

B. **Update on Nonprofit Foundation Center Proposal – 7:40 p.m.**

C. **City Public Art in Storage Discussion - 7:45 p.m.**

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – 7:50 p.m.

A. Addition of items to Future Agenda List

- Definition of Culture
- Branding Campaign Coordination with Visit Vallejo Report
- Round Table Discussion with Regional Arts Commissions
- Art on Private Property

12. NEXT MEETING DATE: March 26, 2018

13. ADJOURNMENT – 8:00 p.m.

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I, Dawn G. Abrahamson, City Clerk, do hereby certify that we have caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Commission on Culture & The Arts, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law and that this agenda was posted at City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, CA at 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 23, 2018.

Dated: Friday, February 23, 2018



Dawn G. Abrahamson, City Clerk

**COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBER
JANUARY 22, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boneberg at 6:04 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Boneberg, Vice Chair Brice, Commissioners Bernhardt, Finkelstein (arrived at 7:01 p.m.), Giri, Allen, and Vidor

Absent: None

Staff present: Assistant City Manager Killgore, City Clerk Abrahamson and Administrative Analyst II Morat

4. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Report from Assistant City Manager, Secretary to the Commission on Culture & the Arts

Assistant City Manager Killgore reported on a shift in staff support to the Commission and relayed background information on items for Commission discussion.

B. Report from Council Liaison to the Commission on Culture & The Arts – None.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Action: A representative from Domus Management Company was present to answer questions from Commissioners.

A. Domus Management Company – Temple Art Lofts Update

6. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: Jessica Brown, Shawn, Rick, Jean, and Erin Bakke.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Recommendation: By motion, approve the January 22, 2018 agenda

Action: Moved by Commissioner Vidor, seconded by Vice Chair Brice and carried unanimously by Commissioners present to approve the Agenda (Absent: Finkelstein).

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. **Approval of Minutes**

Recommendation: By motion, approve the minutes from the November 27, 2017 regular meeting

Action: Moved by Chair Boneberg, seconded by Commissioner Vidor and carried unanimously by Commissioners present to approve the minutes of November 27, 2017 with a correction to the spelling of Ms. Nichols first name (Absent: Finkelstein).

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Public Art Policy

Recommendation: By motion, recommend the draft Public Art Policy be brought to the City Council for consideration.

Administrative Analyst II Morat outlined the changes presented in the draft Public Art Policy.

Speakers: Doug Darling and Erin Bakke.

Staff and Public Art Policy Ad-hoc Committee members responded to questions raised by the speakers.

Commissioners provided comment.

Action: Moved by Chair Boneberg, seconded by Commissioner Giri and carried unanimously to send the Public Art Policy with revisions to include missing information as noted by Mr. Darling under Objectives (1g) and 3d under Process for Review, Selection and Placement of Public Art to the City Council for consideration and approval.

B. Art Gift Policy

Recommendation: Discuss the parameters of a draft Art Gift Policy.

Administrative Analyst II Morat provided an update and noted that the Commission should have a meaningful discussion on the matter at its February meeting with possible action a few months following the initial discussion.

Speakers: None.

C. Preparation of Commission Goals/Update Report to City Council

Recommendation: By motion, identify the content to be included and presented to the City Council at the March 13, 2018 regular Meeting, and designate a commissioner to work with staff to finalize the report.

Chair Boneberg informed the Commission why the Goals were not being presented at the January 23 council meeting. The goals will be presented to the Council in March in order to provide more definition and context.

Commissioners provided comment.

Speakers: None.

Action: Moved by Chair Boneberg, seconded by Vice Chair Brice and carried unanimously to designate Chair Boneberg and Vice Chair Brice to work with staff to finalize the staff report and presentation to the City Council.

D. **Second Friday Artwalk**

Recommendation: Discuss the Second Friday Artwalk.

Commissioners discussed the Artwalk and provided suggestions to support the event by exploring ways to fund and generate support from the community.

Speakers: Rick, Jean, Erin Bakke, Dominic, and Hector.

Staff responded to questions from Commissioners.

Commissioners provided further comment.

Action: Moved by Chair Boneberg and seconded by Commissioner Allen to convey the Commissions' concern related to the sustainability of the Artwalk and encourage the City Council and the City to investigate how it can provide further support.

Commissioner Finkelstein offered a substitute motion to include financial support for the Artwalk. Substitute motion was accepted by the maker and seconder of the main motion.

The substitute motion as accepted by Chair Boneberg and Commissioner Allen to convey the Commission's concern related to the sustainability of the Artwalk and encourage the City Council and the City to investigate how it can further provide both support and financial support carried unanimously.

E. **Non-Profit Fundraising/Fiscal Sponsor Discussion**

Recommendation: Discuss issues and challenges around non-profit fundraising and/or fiscal sponsorship.

Commissioner Allen informed the Commission of his due diligence by attending Commission Arts Foundation meetings. VCAF is interested and is requesting that a proposal be put in writing and presented for its consideration.

Staff and Commissioners provided comment.

Action: Moved by Commissioner Giri, seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt and carried to agendize this item for a future meeting (Noes-Finkelstein; Abstain-Allen).

10. INFORMATION ITEMS, ACTIVITY REPORTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. **Art Inventory Ad Hoc Committee Report**
- B. **Chiodo Art Development Tour – Special Meeting**
- C. **Foundation Center Non-Profit Resources & Database Update**
- D. **Art & Culture Event Calendar RFP Update**

Item A – Chair Boneberg provided an update on the recent site visit. Commissioners provided comment. Chair Boneberg noted that the Commission will need to provide some bandwidth analysis to the City Council for its consideration.

Item B – Commissioner Vidor provided an update on the site visit.

Item C – Administrative Analyst II Peterson provided an update on a recent meeting with the new Library Branch Manager who identified a few challenges but was open exploring and collaborating on this project. Staff noted that a \$10,000 will be included in the Mid-Year Budget for Council's consideration. Commissioners provided comment. Commissioner Finkelstein volunteered to devote two days at the Library to assist with the project.

Item D – Administrative Analyst II Peterson provided a status update on the RFP, which was released on January 12 with a final submittal date of January 26. More information will be provided to the Commission at future meetings.

Staff responded to questions from Commissioners.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Addition of items to Future Agenda List
 - Definition of Culture
 - Branding Campaign Coordination with Visit Vallejo Report
 - Round Table Discussion with Regional Arts Commissions
 - Art on Private Property
- February meeting: re-open assignments to the Ad hoc Committee on Culture.
- Solano Community Foundation presentation to the Commission on services provided to non-profits – requested by Commissioner Bernhardt.
- Extend an invitation to Askari Sowonde to provide a presentation to the Commission on various cultural events produced in Vallejo – requested by Commissioner Vidor.
- Other part of Temple Art Lofts – Newport Company, higher level presentation to the Commission – requested by Chair Boneberg.

- Jessica Brown's Film Festival Presentation – staff and Commissioner Vidor to meet and discuss with Ms. Brown and return to the Commission.
- February meeting: Art Gift Policy.
- Revisit physical sponsorships and fundraising – Percent for the Arts.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE: February 26, 2018

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.