



Civic Arts Commission
Office of Economic Development

Minutes
Civic Arts Commission
Wednesday June 28, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.
North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Ave, Berkeley, CA 94709

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1. CALL TO ORDER

6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: John Slattery, Jennifer Lovvorn, Shannon Jackson, Kim Anno, Terry Taplin, Kevan Jenson

Absent: Liz Ozol, Aida Gamez, Matthew Passmore

Tardy: Shannon Jackson, 7:16 p.m.

Staff: Jordan Klein, Acting Economic Development Manager, Mary Ann Merker, Civic Arts Coordinator, Jessica Moreno, Intern

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Diana Maria Rossi
- Hiroko Tamano

4. APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

Approve May 24, 2017 Minutes

First: John Slattery

Second: Terry Taplin

Passed Unanimously

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a) Meet in your assigned subcommittees to make work plans.
- b) The Civic Arts grants increase was approved by City Council.
- c) Policy subcommittee will discuss altering the process of festival funding.
- d) The Private Percent for Art program is now leveled throughout Berkeley.
- e) Policy subcommittee will create guidelines for flexible funding pool.

6. STAFF REPORT

- a) The BART Plaza Light Poles will go to City Council.
- b) The Arts and Culture Plan needs to be done by August.
- c) There will be a new staff member coming in July 17 for the Civic Arts Program.
- d) Presented a short PowerPoint presentation with summarized information for the Civic Arts Commission in regards to their position.

7. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

- a) Commission would like a percentage of Airbnb tax to go to the Civic Arts Program.
- b) Berkeley “Big People” will be discussed with the City Attorney.
- c) Discussion of mural for Center for Independent Living-sites, concepts, will be discussed in the Public Art subcommittee.

8. ACTION ITEMS

- a) Action to support Mayor’s recommendation of 1/3 of Airbnb tax going to the Civic Arts Program and 2/3 to housing.
 First: Shannon Jackson
 Second: John Slattery
 5 approve, 1 abstention, Terry Taplin. The motion passes.
- b) Action to support Kala Art Insitute’s NEA application for Our Town
 First: Kevan Jenson
 Second: Terry Taplin
 5 approve, 1 abstention, Shannon Jackson. The motion passes.
- c) Action to approve Scenario 3 for the Civic Arts Grants, removing the lowest scoring applicants from funding, and adopting Scenario 2 for grant distribution.
 First: Kim Anno
 Second: Shannon Jackson
 Passed unanimously

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants:
 Will gather ideas for amendments to the Civic Arts grant process and festival funding process.
- b) Policy:
 Discussed short term rental funding for the arts and had a general discussion on City’s arts funding. Also discussed the Private Percent for the Arts.
- c) Education:
 The Arts Education working group with MIG for the Arts and Culture Plan will take place July 18, 2017.
- d) Public Art

Discussed the “Big People” statue reparation process, and possible programming for the BART Plaza. Also need more research for the Mr. Rumford lighting.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- a) There will be a Fourth of July Festival in the Berkeley Marina with music, food, and games.

11. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

12. ADJOURNMENT

9:05 p.m.

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