



REGULAR MEETING of the ARTS COMMISSION

May 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, Room 1001

301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than Noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Jesús Varela at jesus.varela@austintexas.gov or at 512-974-2444.

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:

Celina Zisman - Chair, Heidi Schmalbach - Vice Chair, Kate Csillagi, Felipe Garza, Acia Gray, Monica Maldonado, Nagavalli Medicharla, Amy Mok

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Arts Commission Regular Meeting on April 17, 2023.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Discussion of Chair's Report on The Road Ahead by Chair Zisman
3. Discussion of the Art in Public Places Liaison Report by Commissioner Gray
4. Discussion of the Austin Economic Development Corporation/Cultural Trust Advisory Committee by Austin Economic Development Corporation Board Member Carl Settles
5. Discussion of the Downtown Commission by Commissioner Mok

STAFF BRIEFINGS

6. Staff briefing regarding an update on the Hotel Occupancy Tax by Laura Odegaard, Acting Cultural Arts Division Manager
7. Staff briefing regarding the Cultural Arts Funding Programs by Jesus Pantel, Cultural Funding Supervisor, and Laura Odegaard, Acting Cultural Arts Division Manager
8. Staff briefing on Arts Education Relief Grant by Anne-Marie McKaskle-Davis, Cultural Funding Specialist Sr.
9. Staff briefing regarding the Art in Public Places Year in Review 2022 by Constance Y. White, Art in Public Places Program Manager
10. Staff briefing on the African American Cultural Heritage Facility re-opening by Florinda Bryant, Program Coordinator

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

11. Approve Recommended Artist for the Montopolis Pool Art in Public Places Project
12. Approve Recommended Artists for the Mexic-Arte Museum Art in Public Places Project
13. Approve slate of Proposed Elevate Review Panelists
14. Approve recommendations from the Emergency Funding and Proactive Strategies for Future Funding Working Group for the Austin Civilian Conservation Corps Framework
15. Discussion and Possible Action on Letter of support for LGBTQIA community presented by Commissioner Csillagi
16. Discussion and Possible Action on continuing the conversation from the Joint Arts and Music retreat regarding short term rentals and HOT collection

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

17. Update from Equity Working Group with Community Arts leaders of the BIPOC/LGBTQIA/Disabilities Community/Women with Commissioners Gray, Zisman, and community members
18. Update from Joint Working Group for Joint Cultural Committee with Commissioner Zisman and working group members from the Quality of Life Commissions
19. Update from Quarterly Arts Community Commission Meet-ups Working Group with Commissioners, Garza (chair), Gray, and Maldonado
20. Update from Emergency Funding and Proactive Strategies for Future Funding Working Group with Commissioners Schmalbach and Zisman (chair)
21. Update from joint Arts/Music Commission Working Group on Urban Core Issues with Commissioners Gray, Maldonado, Mok, and Schmalbach (chair).

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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For more information on the Arts Commission, please contact Jesús Varela at 512-974-2444.