



ARTS COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL VIDEO MEETING

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Suzanne Skone called the meeting to order at 6:34pm. Vice Chair Amy Barnes appointed Skone to facilitate the meeting in her absence.

Anumeha, Elizabeth Mitchell, and Rosemary Moore participated remotely using Zoom (video teleconferencing platform).

City Council liaison Salim Nice; staff members Sarah Bluvus, Ryan Daly, Jessi Bon, Merrill Thomas-Schadt, and Paul West; and consultants Anna Spooner and Emily Moon also participated remotely via Zoom.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

No public appearances.

MEETING AGENDA AMENDMENT

Sarah Bluvus, Economic Development Coordinator, requested that the board amend the agenda to move the 2021 Officer Elections discussion to the end of Regular Business. The board unanimously approved this request.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME + THANK YOU TO OUTGOING MEMBERS

The board welcomed new members Elizabeth Mitchell and Rosemary Moore and thanked outgoing Chair and member Erin Vivion.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes – July 14 Regular Video Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Anumeha, seconded by Mitchell to:

Approve the July 14, 2021, Regular Video Meeting Minutes as presented.

Passed 4-0-2

FOR: Anumeha, Mitchell, Moore, Skone

ABSENT: Barnes, Gordon

2. 2021 PROS Plan Update

City Manager Jessi Bon presented Chapters 4 (Goals and Objectives) and 7 (Recreation, Arts, and Culture) of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan and received feedback on the chapters from the board. Bon also requested that the board select a liaison to represent Arts Council interests at upcoming Parks & Recreation Commission discussions of the PROS Plan. The board should aim to appoint a liaison by the October meeting.

3. Luther Burbank Docks Repair and Reconfiguration: Public Art and Placemaking Opportunities

Capital Project Manager Paul West and Anna Spooner, landscape architect at Anchor QEA, presented an overview of the Luther Burbank Docks Repair and Reconfiguration project and facilitated a preliminary discussion of opportunities for public art and placemaking. Staff will return with a refined design based on board feedback in early 2022.

4. Arts Immediate Action Plan: Project Updates

Ryan Daly, Operations Transition Team Manager, updated the board on the Mostly Music in the Park concert series, *The Praise of Possibilities* temporary art installation, and plans for reopening the Mercer Island Gallery at the Mercer Island Community & Event Center.

5. Arts Reset Plan: Planning & Policy Updates

Board members received a draft of the proposed 2022 City Arts Work Plan in their agenda packet. Bluvas requested feedback via e-mail or the draft link. The Planning & Policy committee will review feedback and present a final draft for review and endorsement at the November meeting.

6. 2021 Arts Council Regular Meeting Schedule Changes

No meeting schedule changes were made.

7. 2021 Arts Council Officer Elections

Skone opened the floor for nominations for a Chair to serve through the end of 2021. Moore nominated Skone for the position, and Skone accepted the nomination. The board unanimously elected Skone as Chair by a voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Video Meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.