

Art & Culture Commission

Advisory Board Minutes 02.05.2020

Present Art & Culture Commission Members: Nancy Monson, Lorie Griffith, Carrie Gilbert, Lauren Beeney, M. J. Steele & Mary Kleffner

West Linn Staff Liaisons: Doug Erickson, West Linn Library Director, Councilor Teri Cummings, City Council President & Liaison and Melanie Nelson, Operations Supervisor/Assistant to the Director

Absent: Beate Scheller (*excused*)

Call to Order: M.J. Steel called meeting to order at 5:09 pm

Agenda Review: No edits or additions agenda approved 6:0

Minutes Review: (01.08.2020) Lauren Beeney moved to approve minutes Lorie Griffith seconded, minutes approved 6:0

Public Comments: None

Doug Erickson, Library Director:

- Best Practices for using Drop Box: Doug briefly explained how A&C Commission will be able to utilize a universal login/password account to Drop Box to gather documents, ideas & pictures in a single location. Doug and Mel will be working on an outline to follow for public record laws & a best practices. This draft/outline will be available for the commission at the next meeting in March.
- Discussion of Current Art Installations in West Linn (**Lorie Griffith**): Lorie Griffith emailed a document with a list of art installation (she had researched) in West Linn to commission members (also attached to agenda). The question was asked if anyone knew where the Lion statue at the Adult Community Center came from & if it would be considered art? Another question asked was “is art located on school grounds or art installed created by children” included? Councilor Cummings also mentioned the West Linn doesn’t have any memorial art for Veterans. Carrie Gilbert suggested an “I spy Art in West Linn” where it involves community members to contribute noting places & type of art they spy- in a central location possibly City Website? Citizens could contribute to what they find in West Linn.
 - **Art in the Garden- McLean House- April 25, 2020-** Lorie shared she (ACC) had received an invitation to have a booth at the upcoming “Art in the Garden” at the McLean House in April. It was agreed that the ACC will have a booth promoting the Art & Culture Commission. Lorie offered to work the booth. There was a question regarding a budget for the ACC for pamphlet or handouts. Council Cummings mentioned that City Council has that topic on an upcoming work session.
- Election of new Commission Chair & Co-Chair: Staff liaisons Doug Erickson & Melanie Nelson left for the vote of new chair & co-chair for the 2020 year. Carrie Gilbert was elected Chair and M.J. Steele was elected Co-Chair. (Chair in 2019 was M.J. Steele & Co-Chair was Carrie Gilbert).

Board Comments:

Update on Lake Oswego Art & Culture: Lauren Beeney: There are two people that work with the public Art in Lake Oswego. They suggested:

- Get a current inventory of the art installations in your City of West Linn
- Work on a single project, single program or idea
- Narrow down what is “West Linn-ish”
- Americans for the Arts
- Work with a consultant
- Lake Oswego works with a different selection committee for each piece to avoid any issues

Percentage for the Arts: Art & Culture Commission drafted, voted 6:0 and sent an email to City Council regarding the upcoming council work session on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 (reference work session bill 10.02.2019). **See below:**

Feb. 5th, 2020

Dear City Council,

The Arts and Culture Commission eagerly awaits Council’s decision regarding the “Percent for Art” program (Municipal Code Sections 2.20 through 2.235).

We recently reviewed the Staff Memo from the Council Work Session held on October 7, 2019 (see attached). We encourage you to approve “Council Options” 2, with special considerations for the inclusion of Arts funding in GO Bond projects moving forward.

Sincerely,

West Linn Arts & Culture Commission

Carrie Gilbert -Chair

MJ Steele -Co-Chair

Mary Kleffner

Lorie Griffith

Nancy Monson

Lauren Beeney

Beate Scheller

Doug Erickson

Library Director

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Conflict of Interest Handout/email: All ACC members agreed to review the article on *Conflict of Interest: A Guide*. This item will be added to the March agenda.

***WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH 6:00PM**

IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL

Upcoming Meeting: Wednesday, March 4th 5-7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Melanie Nelson

Library Operation Supervisor/Assistant to the Director

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