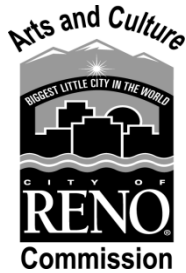


Reno Arts and Culture Commission

Special Meeting



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MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017 ~ 4:00 p.m.
MCKINLEY ARTS & CULTURE CENTER
BOARDROOM
925 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, RENO, NEVADA 89503

MEMBERS

Megan Berner, Chair
Sharon Honig-Bear, Vice-Chair
Dave Aiazzi
Doug Erwin
Dana Hatjakes
Nettie Oliverio
Geralda Miller
Maria Partridge
Nancy Pearl
Colin Robertson
Vacant

Naomi Duerr, City Council
Liaison

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Berner called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. A quorum of six members was established.

Members Present:

Megan Berner, Sharon Honig-Bear, Doug Erwin (arrived at 4:08 p.m.), Nettie Oliverio, Geralda Miller (arrived at 4:06 p.m.), Maria Partridge, Nancy Pearl and Colin Robertson

Members Absent:

Dave Aiazzi and Dana Hatjakes

Positions Vacant:

One

Council Liaison:

Absent

Also Present:

Alexis Hill – Arts, Culture and Special Events Manager, City of Reno

2. Public Comment – This item is for either any General Public Comment or any Action Item Comment and is limited to no more than three (3) minutes per person.

None.

3. Approval of the June 13, 2017 Minutes of the Reno Arts and Culture Commission (For Possible Action).

It was moved by Vice-Chair Honig-Bear; seconded by Commissioner Partridge to approve the June 13, 2017 minutes for the Reno Arts and Culture Commission as presented. The motion carried: Commissioners Berner, Honig-Bear, Oliverio, Partridge, Pearl and Robertson assenting; Commissioners Aiazzi, Erwin, Hatjakes and Miller absent and one position vacant.

4. Discussion and possible approval on a RACC strategic goal calendar and implementation plan (For Possible Action)

Ms. Hill asked the Commissioners if they wanted to begin with agenda item 6. The Commissioners agreed that they should move to agenda item 6 to discuss revision of the RACC bylaws.

6. Discussion and possible recommendation to revise the RACC bylaws (For Possible Action)

Commissioner Miller arrived at 4:06 p.m.

Ms. Hill provided a revised copy of the RACC bylaws which added the changes identified at the last special meeting of the RACC on June 19, 2017.

* Denotes **NON** action item

Commissioner Erwin arrived at 4:08 p.m.

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the changes made in the revised copy of the RACC bylaws. Discussion included the following:

- Article I – Mission and Function
 - Commissioner Honig-Bear made the following correction:
 - The first sentence should end with, “fund excellence in arts and culture.”
- Article II – Membership
 - Ms. Hill made the following announcements:
 - “Architectural designer” was added to the wording to be specific
 - Commissioner Miller provided recommended wording regarding diversity of membership which was added to the end of the first paragraph
 - The last sentence was revised to read, “membership should consist of racial, ethnic and cultural diversity to foster racial and social justice in arts and culture policy, programming and funding.”
 - A new section “Article IX – Definitions” was added on the last page of the bylaws and includes definitions for professional artist and architectural designer
 - The Commissioners discussed and agreed that it was important to keep the requirements for an architect and a professional designer instead of changing the wording to state a preference would be given to a professional candidate
 - Ms. Hill stated that four architects have applied for the RACC and that finding applicants to serve on the RACC is not currently an issue
 - The Commissioners agreed the wording that members shall serve three year terms and each commissioner may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms needed to be clarified that it is not a lifetime limit
 - Wording needed to be added to specify that a commissioner may take a one year break between terms and serve additional three year terms if no more than two consecutive terms at a time are served
 - Ms. Hill stated that the City Clerk rule that a term which is filled by a new person counts as a term for the new person cannot be changed
- Article III – Meetings
 - The Commissioners decided the first “at least” was not needed in the first sentence
- Article IV – Election of Officers
 - The changes from the last meeting were approved by the Commissioners
- Article V – Duties and Powers of Officers
 - Ms. Hill stated that items 5 and 6 in Section A. were moved to Section C;
 - Section C was changed to “Staff Liaison” from “Recording Secretary”
 - Item 5 in section C was changed to “Responsible for following NRS open meeting laws and to distribute the agenda”
 - Item 8 was changed by removing the word, “annually” and adding, “report the status of any allocated funds to the RACC at the monthly meetings”
- Article VI – Committees
 - The Commissioners agreed to the revisions made in Article VI
 - The Commissioners discussed if the summary of meeting activities as stated in item D should be verbal or written
 - In the past, it could be either verbal or written
 - The Commissioners decided it would be best to provide a short, written summary
 - Ms. Hill noted that a Vice-Chair can be nominated for committees to serve as a backup for the Chair
- Article VII – Procedural Matters
 - In Section 6, attendance the word, “shall” was replace by “may” result in termination
 - Termination is decided on a case by case basis
 - In Section 7, “Media” replaced the outdated wording, “Press Release”
 - The Commissioners discussed that when a Commissioner speaks, they may not be speaking for the entire RACC
 - It was decided that it should be specified that only the Chair or Liaison can represent the RACC as a whole
- Article VIII will be discussed in August

- Article XI – Definitions
 - Commissioner Robertson stated that licensure does matter in professional terms and suggested that the word, “licensed designer” be used
 - The Commissioners agreed that “licensed designer” should be used in Articles II and IX

The discussion returned to Article II. Commissioner Miller asked if there should also be a requirement for a credentialed educator since a licensed designer will be required. The Commissioners decided not to change the wording for an arts educator.

It was moved by Commissioner Robertson; seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve the changes to the RACC bylaws discussed at the special meeting of the RACC on July 17, 2017. The motion carried: Commissioners Berner, Honig-Bear, Erwin, Miller, Oliverio, Pearl, Partridge and Robertson assenting; Commissioners Aiazzi and Hatjakes absent and one position vacant.

5. Discussion and possible action on the 2012 Adopted Cultural Master Plan (For Possible Action)

This agenda item was moved to a future meeting.

6. Discussion and possible recommendation to revise the RACC bylaws (For Possible Action)

This agenda item was moved up to follow item 4.

7. Discussion and possible recommendation on the proposed FY17/18 RACC budget (For Possible Action)

The discussion of the FY17/18 RACC budget was moved to the next meeting.

The Commissioners discussed how to frame the budget discussion for the next meeting.

Commissioner Oliverio suggested a meeting of the grants subcommittee before the August meetings to discuss general concepts and to take a deep dive with at least two full meetings dedicated to grants discussions in January and February of 2018. It was discussed that small changes could be made to grants for FY18/19, but major changes would have to wait until FY19/20 due to the timing of grants. Commissioner Erwin felt that revision of the grants was an important topic which should be addressed as soon as possible. It was suggested that the grants subcommittee be invited to the RACC meeting in August. The Commissioners agreed that the grants discussion needs to be prioritized.

8. Announcements not anticipated at notice date (Item for general announcements and information only. No deliberation or action will be taken on this item.)

This agenda item was moved to follow item 9.

9. Set Date, Time and Agenda for the next meeting (For Possible Action).

Ms. Hill announced the following dates for the next meetings of the RACC:

- The next regular meeting of the RACC will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
- The next special meeting of the RACC will be held on Monday, August 14, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Ms. Hill suggested that the public art process be an agenda item for the meeting on August 1st.

The following agenda topics were requested for the special meeting of the RACC on August 14th:

- Grants discussion – Invite the grants subcommittee to this meeting
- Commissioner Erwin requested a refresher/review on strategic goals from the RACC retreat

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This agenda item was moved to follow item 9.

Commissioner Partridge made the following announcement:

- On Saturday, July 22nd, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. she will be giving a talk on Burning Man at the Nevada Museum with Crimson Rose

Commissioner Miller made the following announcements:

- On Thursday, July 20th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. there will be a screening of Struggle and Hope at the Nevada Museum of Art and she will be part of a discussion panel after the film
- On Saturday, July 29th at 10:00 a.m. there will be a two hour detailed Public Art tour beginning at the Believe sculpture at City Plaza

Ms. Hill announced there will be a pride march on Saturday, July 22nd.

Chair Berner made the following announcement:

- On the evening of Saturday, July 22nd, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. she will be part of an art show at the Holland Project gallery

Vice-Chair Honig-Bear made the following announcement:

- On Tuesday, July 18th at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., the Historic Reno Preservation Society will host a walking tour of four historic cemeteries beginning at the Knights of Pythias Hall:
 - Hebrew, Pythias, Grand Army of the Republic and Hillside Cemeteries

9. Set Date, Time and Agenda for the next meeting (For Possible Action).

This agenda item was discussed following agenda item 7.

10. Public Comment – This item is for either any General Public Comment or any Action Item Comment and is limited to no more than three (3) minutes per person.

None.

11. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

It was moved by Commissioner Robertson; seconded by Commissioner Miller to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m. The motion carried: Commissioners Berner, Honig-Bear, Erwin, Miller, Oliverio, Pearl, Partridge and Robertson assenting; Commissioners Aiazzi and Hatjakes absent and one position vacant.