



ARTS COUNCIL MINUTES SPECIAL VIDEO MEETING

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chair Elizabeth Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:32pm and welcomed new members Daniel Becker and Jonathan Harrington to the Arts Council.

Vice Chair Suzanne Skone, Daniel Becker, Rachel Blum, Jonathan Harrington, and Rosemary Moore participated remotely using Zoom (video teleconferencing platform).

Staff members Eleanor Knight, Katie Herzog, Ryan Daly, and Sarah Bluvas as well as Mayor Salim Nice also participated remotely via Zoom.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

No public appearances.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Ryan Daly, Recreation Manager, reported on current Parks CIP projects, upcoming events, and recent grant funding support received from 4Culture and the Mercer Island Community Fund.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes – January 19, 2022, Regular Video Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Skone, seconded by Moore to:

Approve the January 19, 2022, Regular Video Meeting Minutes as amended.

Passed 6-0-1

FOR: Becker, Blum, Harrington, Mitchell, Moore, Skone

ABSENT: Anumeha

2. Mercer Island Arts Summit

Sarah Bluvas, Economic Development Coordinator, reported on the Mercer Island Arts Summit event framework. The Arts Council supported moving forward with the framework as presented and scheduled the Arts Summit for Tuesday, May 24.

3. City Arts Policy & Procedure Work

Daly updated the Arts Council on needs and timeline for moving forward with arts policy and procedure work as outlined in the 2022 City Arts & Culture Work Plan.

4. Update on Public Art Maintenance and Restoration

Bluvas updated the Arts Council on plans for restoring *Fire Flower* by Gizel Berman. Staff will provide a progress report at a future meeting.

5. 2022 Events and Engagement Opportunities

Katie Herzog, Recreation Coordinator, updated the Arts Council on plans for Mostly Music in the Park, Shakespeare in the Park, and Summer Celebration. Chair Mitchell and Daly will connect about appointing a committee to work with staff on Arts Council engagement in these and other City events.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Arts Council will participate in a joint meeting with the Parks & Recreation Commission on Thursday, June 2, at 5:30pm via Zoom.

The next Arts Council Regular Meeting will take place Wednesday, July 20, at 6:30pm via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Video Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.