

Attachment C

Bothell Arts Commission Minutes May 13, 2021

Call to order

The remote meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

Present: Hillary Long, Chair; Katrina Sather, Vice-Chair; Kim Foley; Sophie Stobie; Maribeth Turk; Coby Zeifman; Kylie Chang, Secretary.

Excused: Kelly Atkinson; Kaylee Ditlefsen

Council Liaison: Tom Agnew

Staff: DeNae McGee, Tourism Manager/Art Commission liaison

Approval of Agenda

Sather moved to approve the February agenda; Stobie seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Leslie Foley, President, Northshore Performing Arts Foundation, reported that based on the results from surveys, citizens of Bothell and the surrounding cities want a community theatre that is located in downtown Bothell.

Special Presentation

There were no special presentations.

Old Business Items

1. Sather moved to amend the February minutes – It was Sather who nominated Long as chair, not Atkinson; Turk seconded; Motion passed unanimously.
2. There was more discussion about chalk art. McGee informed the Arts Commission that the Parks Department is happy to donate 3,200 pieces of chalk for the Arts Commission's community chalk activities. McGee also reported that there are Sustained Support funds from a grant from 4Culture to hire chalk artists if that's something the commission is interested in pursuing. Zeifman motioned to proceed with the chalk art project while continuing to discuss the cost, date, and artist; Turk seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

New Business Items

1. Zeifman presented a new project idea for Main St. entrance beautification while the street is closed to vehicular traffic. A couple of ideas for beautification include painting the cement blocks and decorative fencing.

Comments from Council Liaison

The City of Bothell is in the process of hiring a new city manager. Council Member Agnew will be departing from council by the end of the year but says that he will continue to support the Arts Commission.

Reports from Staff

1. The artist contract and insurance issues have been resolved for the artwork at Fire Station #42 and potentially Fire Station #45. The Arts Commission reviewed Fleming's proposal. Construction will begin in July and the artwork will not be incorporated into the building until 75% completion.
2. An email containing a survey about the new city manager will be sent to the commission very soon and are encouraged to fill it out since Council is looking for their feedback.
3. Planning has begun for the reopening of city facilities such as City Hall closures due to Covid-19. A date has not yet been determined and the city will continue to follow Governor Inslee's phased approach to opening.

Reports of Commission Members

1. The Public Arts Committee discussed Chalk Art.
2. Chair Long started a conversation inquiring how Miro has been working for the commission members. There seemed to be a general consensus between members that Miro is not used regularly by everyone but is useful for opening conversations and a good virtual organizational tool for keeping the commission focused on the Cultural Plan's Strategic Directions.
3. Setting future meeting agenda
-There were not recommended items for June's agenda.

Adjournment

Sather moved to adjourn; Foley seconded; No discussion; Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

