

ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting: September 26, 2018
10020 Lundeen Parkway, Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Steve Apodaca, Bridget Scott, Kathy Kruse, Navid Nikoo, John Vicente

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Linda Ehmen

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilmember Todd Welch, Jim Haugen, Parks & Recreation Coordinator, Kathy Pugh, City Clerk,

Roll Call: Moved by Commissioner Nikoo, seconded by Commissioner Vicente, to excuse Commissioner Ehmen from the meeting. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-1).

New Commissioners Vicente and Nikoo were introduced to the Commission and shared their backgrounds and interests in being on the Arts Commission.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Commissioner Vicente, seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2018, August 1, 2018 Special Meeting, August 8, 2018, August 22, 2018 and September 19, 2018 meeting minutes. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-1).

Guest Business: None.

Discussion/Action Items:

Draft Work Program: The draft work program was introduced to the Commission by City Clerk Pugh, who said this is a living document and meant to be used to help guide the Commission in accomplishing their goals and objectives. The work program is a living document and can be modified and adjusted as the Commission moves forward with their projects. There was discussion about how the work program will be utilized, and Commissioner Apodaca envisioned for summer events and programming, that much of the work of identifying entertainment for Music by the Lake and Theater in the Park will take place in the fall and winter months. Clerk Pugh commented that the City is moving to a Parks and Recreation model and included in this will be providing more city personnel to assist with events.

Meeting Schedule and Location: Clerk Pugh said that staff would like for the Arts Commission to relocate their meetings to Conference Room A at City Hall. Staff also recommends that the Arts Commission move to a meeting schedule of the second Wednesday in each month with an option to hold an additional meeting on the fourth Wednesday if necessary. There was discussion on how this would work for the Arts Commission. Following discussion there was consensus to move the meetings to City Hall, and to hold one meeting a month on the second Wednesday, with an option for a second meeting on the fourth Wednesday.

Downtown Halloween Festival: Commissioner Apodaca shared an email he received from the Police Department asking for confirmation of participation in this Police Department sponsored event. He then reviewed the idea that he and Commissioner Ehmen developed consisting of three television screens

running video loop of 1920's era Gothic horror movies, including Nosferatu, The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari, and Phantom of the Opera, accompanied by music. The proposed exhibit is targeted to expose parents and their children to another genre of culture and entertainment. There was discussion about how the exhibit would work, what would be needed, and whether it would be appropriate to have at least one of the movies be more friendly to young children. There was general consensus to stay with the proposed movies. Commissioner Apodaca has been in communication with the Park Board and they will assist with the exhibit.

MOTION: Moved by Commissioner Kruse, seconded by Commissioner Nikoo, to move forward with the proposal for the Halloween Exhibit as part of the Downtown Halloween Festival. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-1).

Community Garden Shed Art Project: Parks and Recreation Coordinator Haugen updated that all that remains on this project is to order and install the lettering that will create the signage on the Garden Shed. This is in process.

Facebook and Internet Presence: This is completed at this time.

Standing Committee Reports:

Community Outreach, Marketing, Publicity: No update.

Movies in the Park: No update

Music By the Lake: Commissioner Apodaca is identifying possible bands for the 2019 season.

New Events/Projects: No update.

Theater in the Park: Commissioner Scott has been in touch with Last Leaf Productions and learned they have a children's program that also does Shakespeare. She is considering using the children's program for one of the productions in 2019. Commissioner Kruse commented there is also a children's program for theater through Village Theater.

Youth Activities: Removed from the agenda.

Special Committee Reports: No report.

There was further discussion regarding the dates for summer events, with Commissioner Apodaca saying the dates used this year worked well and encouraging that the commission move forward in the future with dates of the 1st and 3rd Saturday in July for Music By the Lake, Movies in the Park on the 2nd and 4th Friday of August, and Theater in the Park on the 2nd and 4th Sunday in August. Following discussion there was consensus that these dates work well. Lundeen Park will be used for both the music and movie events, and theater will be held in Eagle Ridge Park in 2019.

Adjourn: Moved by Commissioner Vicente, seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-1).



Kathy Pugh, City Clerk