City of San Marcos  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Arts Commission  
February 20, 2019 5:30 p.m.  
Grant Harris, Jr. Building Conference Room  
401 E. Hopkins  
San Marcos, Texas  

I. Call To Order  

II. Roll Call  

III. 30 Minute Citizen Comment Period: Each speaker signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will be called in the order in which they signed-up. Each speaker will be provided up to three minutes to speak. The following citizens spoke in favor a Shared Studio Portal in San Marcos, Moira Jackson, Ronnie Lozano, Ana Baer, Diann McCabe, and Dale Blasinjame. Joe Ptak was also present he wanted to mention that the art project that San Marcos High School is working on will have a final set of submission for approval at the next arts commission meeting. He also mentioned another item regarding purchasing of more art at the Discovery Center.  

MINUTES  

1. Consider approval, by motion, of the January 16, 2019 meeting minutes.  
   Lela Holt made the motion to approve the January 16 minutes with the one change being to the header stating Minutes not Agenda. Jamie Poole seconded the motion and all members were in favor, motion passed 5-0.  

ACTION ITEMS  

2. Consider approval, by motion, of the Arts Commission's 2018 annual report  
   Lisa presented the annual report to council to the commission members. The commissioners reviewed and mentioned a few items that had been left out of the accomplishments. Lela Holt then made the motion to approve the report with the amendments. Amy Lou Cox seconded the motion and all members were in favor. Motion passed 5-0. Anita Collins would like Lisa to send the commission a copy when she is done with the additions to the document.  

DISCUSSION ITEMS  

3. Hold discussion regarding 2019-2020 budget  
   Lisa Morris mentioned that she has not received any direction on the budget at this time. She did mention that revenues are down and that there will more than likely be a cut to the arts funding for the upcoming year.
4. Hold discussion regarding the mission statement of the Arts Commission
Currently there is a mission statement for the Arts Commission and one that goes along with the grant guidelines of the commission. The members discussed both statements and after deliberation came up with the following for mission statement. To support and contribute to the artistic vitality, diverse cultural heritage and economic prosperity of our city in an effort to differentiate it from other communities while promoting tourism to San Marcos.

5. Hold discussion regarding the possibility of bringing a Shared Studios portal to San Marcos
The commission wanted to hold a discussion on facilitating a Shared Studios Portal. Lela Holt had questions as to where it would go, who would pay for it, what is the cost, what hours would it be open and how would oversee scheduling times. Stephanie Symmes suggested bringing it in for a weekend and possibly partner with Splash Coworking. It would be free and open to the public. She mentioned that it was at Texas State University from August – Jan and cost approximately $52,000.00 total. Jamie Poole suggested that the school district might want to oversee this project. It was mentioned that this might be a good thing for a weekend festival. Lela Holt mentioned that it is fascinating, however, it is not something that the Arts Commission should be tasked with. Lela mentioned to Stephanie that she gets with Splash Coworking and other interested parties and between those organizations it may become a reality. The question about grant funding was proposed.

REPORTS

6. Receive staff report on Parks Master Plan progress
The Parks Master Plan has been approved by the Parks Advisory Board and will go to Planning and Zoning next.

7. Receive staff update on Mural Arts Program
Chase Hayles completed the repairs to the Iconic mural on LBJ. There has been a call for artists for the Sessom ST drainage as well as the Conoco on East HWY 123. Papa Johns mural is on hold. CTMC would like a mural however the wall they want to use has a large crack in it.

8. Receive staff update on mini murals
No updates currently. Lisa mentioned that the city is going over policy procedures regarding funding and this item will be tabled for six months.

9. Receive staff update on proposed City Sponsored Events Policy
The events policy team is still working on this item, Lisa will provide information as it becomes available.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. Board Members may provide requests for discussion items for a future agenda in accordance with the board’s approved bylaws. No further discussion will be held related to topics proposed until they are posted on a future agenda in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.
- Introduction of new members
- Mission statement approval
- Elections of chair and vice chair
VI. Question and Answer Session with Press and Public.
This is an opportunity for the Press and Public to ask questions related to items on this agenda. None currently.

VII. Adjournment
Lela Holt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Symmes seconded the motion and all members were in favor, motion passed 5-0

The minutes from the February 20, 2019 meeting of the City of San Marcos, Art Commission are respectfully submitted on March 21, 2019 by

Sandy McKenzie, Administrative Coordinator

Approved by

Lela Holt, Arts Commission Vice Chair
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