

ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 3, 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a regular meeting of the Arts & Culture Commission will be held in the Conference Room 2B at City Hall, 420 N Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota 55744 on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 3:15 p.m.

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Public input
3. Correspondence
4. Approve the following Minutes: Regular Meeting January 6, 2015
5. Old Business Arts and Culture Discussion
6. New Business
7. Set agenda for next regular meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2015
8. Adjourn

CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
CONFERENCE ROOM 2B– GRAND RAPIDS CITY HALL
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2015 – 3:15 PM

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof the regular meeting of the Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission was held in Conference Room 2B of the Grand Rapids City Hall, 420 N Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota, on Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at 3:15 pm

CALL OF ROLL: On a Call of Roll, the following members were present: Sonja Merrild, Todd Driscoll, Lois Bendix, John Connelly, Harry Smith, Karen Walker, and David Marty

Arrived at 3:20 pm Karen Walker
Arrived at 3:30 pm David Marty

Commissioners absent: Kathy Dodge

Staff Present: Amy Dettmer, Jessica Setness and Michele Palkki

Visitor: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, December 2, 2014

Corrections; page 2 and 3, change date at the top to read December 2, 2014 and page 3 toward the bottom regarding the Culture Plan, remove final draft and replace with 2nd draft.

Motion by Commissioner Driscoll, second by Commissioner Bendix to approve the minutes, with the changes noted, of the Regular Meeting, December 2, 2014. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Art and Culture Plan

The Commissioners were given an opportunity to share their ideas on the 2nd draft: Ideas include but are not limited to;

- ✓ Some grammatical and spelling errors noted
- ✓ Didn't see Scouts or 4H listed as partners in matrix
- ✓ Fundraising – don't want to see a competition between small organizations and the City
- ✓ K – 12 Programming
- ✓ Priority to keep the City and Councilors updated
- ✓ Possibly move or change some of the goals/rankings
- ✓ Want to see more emphasis on the lakes and Mississippi River as landmarks
- ✓ Less inclusivity, not enough diversity

- ✓ Commissioners serving on additional boards may be a hardship
- ✓ Should be more information noted about logging
- ✓ Strong connection with economics and the arts
- ✓ Options for implementation – the Commission will develop a draft plan to work on at the beginning of each year marking accomplishments

GRMN Creates – a draft Arts and Culture Plan review schedule

- January 7 – Commission returns comments/edits/ideas to Anne and Lynn
- January 12 – Revised draft plan sent to City of GR Department Heads & City Council
- January 16 – Department Heads/Council return comments to Kathy and Amy
- January 19 – Revised Draft Plan posted online for public review
- February 6 – Public comment period ends
- February 13 – Final draft plan to Commissioners
- February 17 – Special Commission Meeting at 3:15 pm
- February 23 – Commission members present final draft plan to Council in work session
- March 6th – 9th – Consultant visit for presentation to City Council

Karen Walker left at 4:25 pm

A discussion was held regarding the change in the by-laws to read as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Driscoll, second by Commissioner Marty to approve the change in the bylaws as presented. Motion passed by roll call vote, all yes.

A discussion was held regarding January's First Friday and artists in residence. Commissioner Marty noted that the artists had trouble with a locked outside door. Discussion about previous artists losing the key and Commissioner Bendix reported the feeling is tenants don't like artists having an outside door key. Tenants won't get an outside door key.

A discussion was held regarding setting a special meeting for the Commissioner's to review the final culture plan before it is presented to the City Council.

A Special Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17th at 3:15 pm in Conference Room 2B in the Grand Rapids City Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by Michele Palkki

Reminder, the next regular meeting of the Grand Rapids Arts Commission will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 beginning at 3:15 pm at the Grand Rapids City Hall, Conference Room 2B