

Bothell Arts Commission

March 17, 2022 Minutes

Call to order

The remote meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

Present: Katrina Sather, vice-chair; Kelly Atkinson; Kylie Chang, secretary; Marybeth Turk.

Excused: Kim Foley; Hillary Long, Chair

Absent: None

Staff: DeNae McGee, Tourism Manager/Art Commission Liaison; Blaine Land, Recreation Community Events Coordinator

Approval of Agenda

Turk moved to approve the July agenda; Chang seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Special Presentation

Recreation Community Events Coordinator Land introduced herself to the BAC and explained some of her upcoming projects, most notably, the Friday Night Entertainment series to come in the summer. Land shared her interest in partnering with BAC for some of the Friday Night series and will be returning to share ideas with BAC after meeting with council.

Old Business Items

1. Turk moved to approve the July minutes; Atkinson seconded; Motion passed unanimously.
2. The BAC discussed the prices found for vinyl banners and for mesh banners as well as the cost for a design and the cost for different banner sizes. The BAC decided to table the motion until the next meeting. BAC requested staff inquire with their contact at Lot D about how often the banners could be swapped out and if BAC could, independently of the developer, replace the banners. Commissioner Long will report on her findings regarding expected longevity of the banners.
3. Discussion about the Grant Program the BAC is considering and planning to form continued. Atkinson reported that the Arts Commissions with established project grant programs suggest that projects grants be fully transparent about the review process and have a scope that is not too broad but also not too narrow. The Commission discussed making the first step of their Grant Program planning to be to asking Bothell City Council about funding with an estimate being an ask of \$50,000.
4. The Strategy Planning and Operations Committee gave a brief overview of the strategic plan and identity work that they have been working on. A discussion ensued and it was decided that SPOC will present further information at the next BAC meeting.

New Business Items

1. The BAC discussed participation of City Hall Gallery between May and December. The Bothell Art Scene is producing a Bothell Art Walk. Staff confirmed that Artist Joy Hagen is available to attend the May art walk event. BAC discussed inviting a high school music group to the May event. BAC also discussed marketing materials and decided not to produce any for the May art walk.
2. The April Election was announced. The BAC discussed changing the election date to another month as to not push too much information on the new Commissioners.
3. Chair Long is giving a presentation to council about placemaking which can be done either in the form of a public comment or as an agenda item. The BAC members present were all in favor of making the presentation a Council agenda item for May and would like Chair Long to give the presentation to the BAC at the April BAC meeting. The BAC requested that Long's presentation be added to the Council Agenda for May and that Long prepare the presentation for the April BAC meeting.

Reports from Staff

1. The Eastside Arts Roster is currently live on the city's website but to activate the roster there needs to be a program of work in place tied to the roster. The program can be established using the 1% for art funds. McGee proposed two temporary, pop-up public arts opportunities, fence art and utility box wraps and will return in April to report on the findings.
2. The ongoing work on the Blast art piece at Fire Station 42 is currently on a pause as the Cement Union is on strike.
3. City Hall Gallery is opening, and Artist Joy Hagen is exhibiting art. The Bothell City website has the opening dates posted.

Setting Future Agenda

- The discussion on the Lot D banners will continue
- Continued discussion on changing the April election date
- Proceeding with the conversation about the Grant program

Adjournment