

**ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting:**

**Wednesday:**

**November 16, 2016:**

The Regular Meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, was held in the Fargo Public Library at 4:00 o'clock p.m., Wednesday, November 16, 2016.

The Arts and Culture Commissioners present or absent were as follows:

Present: Jessica Jung, Cassandra Miller, David Bertolini, Deb Williams, Netha Cloeter

Absent: Arlette Preston, Dayna Del Val, Michael Olsen, Tim Lamey

Chair Bertolini called the meeting to order and welcomed Members to the meeting.

**Item 1: Approve Order of Agenda**

No action was taken by the Board.

**Item 2: Minutes: Regular Meeting of October 19, 2016**

Ms. Jung moved the minutes of the October 19, 2016 Arts and Culture Commission meeting be approved. Second by Ms. Miller. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

**Item 3: Budget Update for 2017 Regranting**

Kylie Murphy, Assistant Planner, updated the Board Members on this item noting at the October 19, 2016 Arts and Culture Commission meeting, the Board approved \$112,000 to go towards re-granting. She stated staff is recommending that, due to the long history with The Arts Partnership, the City of Fargo enter into a contract with this organization for re-granting. She added staff are also looking to create a subcommittee, that is not directly funded by The Arts Partnership, to help go over the details of the contract.

Ms. Jung, Ms. Miller, and Ms. Williams volunteered to be on the subcommittee.

**Item 4: City Hall Curating Selection**

Planning Administrator Nicole Crutchfield and Assistant Planner Kylie Murphy presented the subcommittee's recommendation for the 2016 City Hall Curator. They noted two proposals were received, from Tania Blanich and Mark Weiler, and explained why the subcommittee is recommending Tania Blanich's proposal be selected.

Board Members discussed the pros and cons of both the proposals and inquired if a cap could be set on the number of times the same applicant could be picked.

Ms. Jung moved to approve the recommendation of the subcommittee to award Tania Blanich as curator for the 2016 City Hall Curating Exhibit with the total funding of \$8,000. Second by Ms. Miller. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

**Item 5: Public Art Selection**

Ms. Murphy and Ms. Crutchfield presented the subcommittee's recommendation for the 2016 Public Art Selection. They noted four proposals were received and stated the subcommittee is recommending approval of Peter Boyle's proposal for Giant Pyramid Chimes.

Board Members discussed the four proposals, noting their support of the proposal submitted by Folkways for a Sudden Sculpture Park, as it includes matching funds and has a community involvement aspect.

Ms. Jung moved to award Folkways with \$7,000 for the Sudden Sculpture Park. Second by Ms. Cloeter. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

**Item 6: December Arts and Culture Commission Meeting Date**

Staff noted the December Arts and Culture Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Item 7: Public Art Master Plan Update**

Ms. Crutchfield reminded the Board Members that at the October 19, 2016 Arts and Culture Commission meeting, the Table of Contents for the Public Art Master Plan was handed out to the Members. She noted Members are to look over the Table of Contents and send any edits to staff.

**Item 8: Other Business or Public Comments**

No other business/public comments were made.

The time at adjournment was 4:45 p.m.