

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WALTER GERRELLS PERFORMING ARTS AND EXHIBITION CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
CIVIC CENTER ANNEX
4012 NATIONAL PARKS HWY
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021 AT 6:00 PM

1 ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM –

Steve Sauer, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM. It was determined there was a quorum.

Voting Members Present: Steve Sauer, Chairperson
Danita McCormick
Charles Neill
Jeri Strong

Voting Members Absent: Damien Capello
Elaine Finley
Parker Hamel

Ex-officio Members Present: None

Ex-officio Members Absent: Jason Shirley, City Councilman
Dale Janway, Mayor
John Lowe, City Administrator

Others Present: Lupe Ornelas, Facility Maintenance Superintendent
Cari Pickens, Community Development Executive Secretary

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 7, 2021 – The motion was made by J. Strong to approve the Agenda for the December 7, 2021 meeting. D. McCormick seconded. The vote was as follows:

Yes –D. McCormick, C. Neill, J. Strong, and S. Sauer.

No – None.

Absent – D. Capello, E. Finley, P. Hamel.

The motion passed.

3 APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2021 – The motion to approve the minutes for the November 2, 2021 regular meeting was made by J. Strong, and seconded by D. McCormick. The vote was as follows:

Yes –D. McCormick, C. Neill, J. Strong, and S. Sauer.

No – None.

Absent – D. Capello, E. Finley, P. Hamel.

The motion passed.

4 INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER – E. Finley was not present.

5 MANAGER'S REPORT – L. Ornelas updated the board on past events including the vaccination clinic and the Vintage Cactus trade show. He also informed the board about upcoming events including the Parker McCollum concert, the Mayor's prayer breakfast, and other potential concerts. D. McCormick requested financial reports be provided at the meetings where the board can compare the revenues of a contractor compared to City operation and management. The board also discussed plans for seating in the auditorium and requested updates, as they are available.

6 DISCUSSION OF NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD ELECTIONS – D. Capello was unable to attend the meeting but provided a letter for the board expressing his interest in becoming Chairman. The board discussed those interested in serving as Chair or Vice Chair and will take a vote at the next meeting. D. McCormick expressed interest in nominating J. Strong as Chairperson; however, J. Strong mentioned she would like to be on the board for a longer period. J. Strong indicated she would consider the position of Vice-chair.

7 VOTE ON RECOMMENDATION TO MAYOR FOR NEW EX-OFFICIO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER –D. McCormick made a motion to recommend Judy Waters, Karla Niemeier, and JJ Chavez as the possible ex officio member of the board. S. Sauer seconded. The vote was as follows:

Yes –D. McCormick, C. Neill, J. Strong, and S. Sauer.

No – None.

Absent – D. Capello, E. Finley, P. Hamel.

The motion passed.

8 DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR JANUARY MEETING – Agenda items for the January meeting include the vote for chairperson and vice chairperson, an update on bimonthly meetings, and a review of the strategic plan (February).

9 ADJOURNMENT – The motion to adjourn was made by D. McCormick and seconded by J. Strong. The vote was as follows:

Yes –D. McCormick, C. Neill, J. Strong, and S. Sauer.

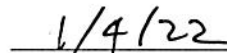
No – None.

Absent – D. Capello, E. Finley, P. Hamel.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.



Chairperson



Date