



MINUTES
KILLEEN ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
UTILITY COLLECTIONS CONFERENCE ROOM
210 WEST AVENUE C
March 8, 2019
12:15 P.M.

Call to Order

Chairperson Miller called the meeting to order at 12:19 p.m.

Roll Call

Attending: Commission Members: John Miller, Elizabeth Blackstone, Nelson Santiago, Morris Melton, Darlene Golden, Roxanne Flores-Achmad, and Ralph Cossey, Jr.

City Staff: Traci Briggs, Deputy City Attorney
Judith Tangalin, Controller
Latashia Cherry, Accounting Manager

Absent: Commission Members: Sean Payton and Nina Cobb

Discuss and Consider Approval of Agenda for the January 18, 2019 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Cossey requested to have the briefings by the sub-committees added back to the agenda as a standing item. City Staff acknowledged it will be placed on subsequent agendas as a standing item. Commissioner Flores-Achmad moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone. The motion passed 6 to 1 with Commissioner Cossey against the motion.

Discuss and Consider Approval of Minutes for the December 14, 2018 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Golden moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Flores-Achmad. The motion passed unanimously.

Review Arts Commission Attendance Record for FY19

Chairperson Miller reminded the commission to monitor attendance and try to not fall below the threshold.

Review and Discuss Account Activity for Administrative Funds

No funds have been spent since previous report. Commissioner Cossey requested the report show the balance as with previous reports. City Staff will ensure subsequent reports will show the account balance.

Consider FY 19 Final Evaluation for Killeen Volunteers, Inc. (Holiday Under the Stars)

Commissioners Blackstone and Flores-Achmad stepped down. Staff recommended payment of \$0 of the requested \$15,000 as the grantee had not fulfilled the six room hotel requirement and indicated at the beginning of the meeting that it would not be fulfilled at the conclusion of their second event in May. Commissioner Cossey discussed the significance of fulfilling this requirement with the grantee and that the requirement is in place to generate tourism and hospitality in Killeen. The grantee indicated that they understood that but it was not possible to fulfill the requirement, as the workers from Austin were not allowed to stay by the company. Commissioner Cossey proposed allowing the grantee to fulfill the hotel requirement at their second event and require twelve rooms at that final evaluation. Chairperson Miller proposed tabling the final evaluation for this event until the conclusion and evaluation of their second event. Commissioner Cossey motioned to table the award of the amount for this event until the conclusion of the second event. Commissioner Nelson questioned if they do not award the money, how will it affect the second event? Grantee stated it would place other events in dire straits as this money is already obligated. Motion seconded by Commissioner Melton. The motion passed with three to zero with Commissioners Golden and Santiago abstaining. City Staff advised that those abstaining should state why they have abstained. Commissioner Golden stated she was abstaining as by allowing the grantee to roll over the hotel rooms, it gives the appearance of a year-long event. City Staff stated that there are different categories for multiple events and year-long events and there are two types of evaluations for these events - event evaluations and final

evaluations. The former occurs at the end of each event and the latter occurs at the conclusion of all events. Commissioner Santiago abstained because they did not comply with the requirement, so does not feel it should be rolled over and we keep creating the precedence.

Commissioners Blackstone and Flores-Achmad returned at 12:49 p.m.

Present Appreciation Certificate to Killeen Volunteers, Inc. (Holiday Under the Stars)

No certificate was given as the evaluation was tabled.

Discuss Arts Commission Funded Events Attended by the Arts Commissioners

Commissioner Golden attended the Black Arts Showcase and it was well attended and presented well. Commissioner Flores-Achmad attended as well and felt there was a good variety activities

Select Six Representatives to Attend Arts Commission Funded Events

Event: Steel Magnolias
Date: March 1-2, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
March 3, 2019 – 2:30 p.m.
March 8-9, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
March 10, 2019 – 2:30 p.m.

Commissioners Blackstone, Flores-Achmad and Santiago plan to attend.

Event: Unnecessary Farce
Date: April 5-6, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
April 7, 2019 – 2:30 p.m.
April 12-13, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
April 14, 2019 – 2:30 p.m.

Commissioners Golden, Flores-Achmad, Blackstone, and Santiago plan to attend.

Location: Vive Les Arts Theatre
Admission: \$15/\$18/\$20 - Child/Student, Senior & Military/Adult

Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 12, 2019 at 12:15 p.m. The commission decided to cancel the meeting due to lack of quorum.

Adjournment

Commissioner Cossey motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Flores-Achmad. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

John Miller, Chairperson

Judith Tangalin, Controller