

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Cultural Commission
Tuesday, May 14, 2018 ● 5:30 PM
Community Center Sierra Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Commission Members

Chair – Terri McBride	Vice Chair – Barbara D’Anneo
Commissioner – Karen Abowd	Commissioner – Elinor Bugli
Commissioner – Janet Geary	Commissioner – Sandra Nagel
Commissioner – Lupe Ramirez	

Staff

Mark Salinas, Arts and Culture Coordinator
Iris Yowell, Deputy District Attorney
Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER

(5:32:06) – Chairperson McBride called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

(5:32:17) – Roll was called and a quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Terri McBride, Chair	Present	
Barbara D’Anneo, Vice Chair	Present	
Karen Abowd	Present	
Elinor Bugli	Present	
Janet Geary	Absent	
Sandra Nagel	Absent	
Lupe Ramirez	Present	

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION

(5:32:28) – Chairperson McBride entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 20, 2018 CCCC MEETING.

(5:32:36) – Chairperson McBride entertained comments or corrections to the March 20, 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Abowd noted a correction to the Carson City Greenhouse web link.

(5:32:58) – MOTION: I move to approve the March 20, 2018 meeting minutes of the Carson City Cultural Commission with one correction.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Abowd
SECONDER:	Ramirez
AYES:	McBride, D’Anneo, Abowd, Bugli, Ramirez
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	Geary, Nagle

5. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(5:33:19) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas proposed removing item 9-a from the current agenda, and discussing it in July to incorporate “the True Grit report”. He also noted that a few report items could be addressed during the item 6 discussion.

6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CELEBRATE THE 10TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSION (ESTABLISHED 07/22/08) BY RECOGNIZING 3 CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSIONERS.

(5:33:35) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas noted that the Cultural Commission was established on July 17, 2008 and not on July 22, 2018 as noted in the agenda materials. Mr. Salinas also suggested acknowledging three past or current commissioners for their contributions and honoring them at a local lunch event. Commissioner Abowd nominated former Chairperson the late Jeffrey Scott for a memorial award, and former Chair Peter Barton for his contributions. Vice Chair D’Anneo suggested having a plaque on a memorial bench for Mr. Scott. Chairperson McBride nominated Commissioner Abowd “for her tireless support of this Commission”.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:39:54) – Cynthia Brennehan introduced herself as representing the Bliss Mansion and offered the use of the Mansion’s porch as a venue. Chairperson McBride suggested a Friday lunch event to ensure the attendance of those who may be working. It was tentatively agreed to host the celebration on July 20, 2018 and to invite past and present members of the Commission, in addition to a representative from the arts organizations. Vice Chairperson D’Anneo suggested a press release.

(5:44:22) – MOTION: I move to have a lunch celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of this Commission; and to honor Jeffrey Scott, Peter Barton, and Karen Abowd at the event; and that we invite past Commissioners, the Board of Supervisors, and representatives from arts organizations; and have a media release about it.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Bugli
SECONDER:	D’Anneo
AYES:	McBride, D’Anneo, Abowd, Bugli, Ramirez
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	Geary, Nagle

7. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE REDEVELOPMENT SPECIAL EVENTS GRANT GUIDELINES FOR ARTS & CULTURE.

(5:47:16) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas gave background and presented the draft guidelines and the scoring criteria, both of which are incorporated into the record. There were no public comments.

(5:51:39) – MOTION: I move to accept the RACC Special Event [Grants] Guidelines [for Arts and Culture] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and beyond until further improvements are identified by the Arts and Culture Coordinator and brought before [the Commission] as presented

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Abowd
SECONDER:	D’Anneo
AYES:	McBride, D’Anneo, Abowd, Bugli, Ramirez
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	Geary, Nagle

8. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SCORE AND RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THOSE APPLICANTS IN REQUEST OF ARTS AND CULTURE FUNDING FOR RACC SPECIAL EVENTS GRANTS FY18/19.

(5:52:14) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas outlined the process by which the applications would be scored based on the previously-discussed criteria, and noted that the available funding was \$32,200, \$10,300 less than the total requested amount. He also suggested that the Commissioners reconvene at a later date to determine the exact award amounts and clarified that the Proscenium Players’ application was submitted on time, even though it was stamped as received at a later date, due to the Community Development Building closure at 4 p.m. Ms. Yowell clarified that Commissioner Bugli, as an applicant, must recuse herself from voting on her organizations’ requests. She also noted that Commissioner Abowd did not need to recuse herself because the Concert Under the Stars would be held at the Brewery Arts Center since they were renting the venue. Mr. Salinas invited the 11 applicants to present their requests, which are incorporated into the record, and noted that each Commissioner will fill out an individual score sheet which will be combined and averaged; however, any absence or recusal would not change the resulted averages or percentages. He also reminded applicants that they were only allowed three minutes per presentation. Ms. Yowell urged the commissioners to disclose any relationships, such as memberships, as organizations make their presentations.

(6:05:50) – Eleven requests were presented by nine organizations, all of which are incorporated in the agenda materials. The Brewery Arts Center, Capital City Arts Initiative, Carson City Classic Cinema Club, Carson City Symphony Association, Mile High Jazz Band Association, Pinkerton Ballet Theater, Proscenium Players, Sierra Nevada Ballet, and Wild Horse Productions presented their requests and responded to clarifying questions by the commissioners.

(7:07:45) – Mr. Salinas suggested a short recess in order to “put your numbers together”. Chairperson McBride recessed the meeting.

(7:14:48) – Chairperson McBride reconvened the meeting. A quorum was still present.

(7:14:59) – Mr. Salinas thanked the applicants and highlighted the new organizations that have requested funding this year as well as the growth of the arts community. Chairperson McBride encouraged the applicants to inform the Commission how the grant requests informally helped their marketing efforts. Mr. Salinas called out each applicant’s request and received the scoring from each commissioner. He noted that since the requested total was higher than the available funds, he would offer to return with a few scenarios such as a distribution based on the ranked percentages or an across-the-board percentage cut of all requests.

9. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY:

a. ARTS & CULTURE REPORT

(7:25:29) – Mr. Salinas reminded the Commission that based on the discussion during agenda item 5; he would provide his report at a later date.

b. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(7:25:36) – Mr. Salinas offered to give a report on the True Grit program in the July 9, 2018 meeting.

c. COMMISSIONER REPORTS / COMMENTS

(7:25:58) – Commissioner Abowd provided a reminder to get tickets for Concert under the Stars at carsoncitygreenhouse.org. She also reported that the greenhouse plant sale had been “excellent”. Mr. Salinas offered to email several Sierra Room availability dates for the next two weeks to the commissioners to hold a special meeting.

d. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. An upcoming special meeting
2. July 9, 2018 5:30 pm: Carson City Cultural Commission

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION (THREE MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

(7:28:07) – Carol Scott, Wild Horse Productions Executive Director, thanked the Commission for honoring Former President Jeffrey Scott, calling it “quite a surprise”, and noted that Mr. Scott had loved Carson City and the arts.

(7:28:50) – Gina Hill, Brewery Arts Center Executive announced the upcoming Levitt Amp Free Summer Concert Series on Saturday nights, beginning on June 23, 2018 and ending on August 25, 2018. She also announced a sponsorship opportunity with KNBP in Reno and the filming of the concert for a future airing.

6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO ADJOURN.

(7:48:20) – Chairperson McBride entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Abowd and seconded by Vice Chair D’Anne. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

The Minutes of the May 14, 2018 Carson City Cultural Commission meeting are so approved this 9th day of July, 2018.

TERRI MCBRIDE, Chair