

**CITY OF LIVERMORE
COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS**

**MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 2017**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Lane called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Members Present: Commissioners Chelle Clements, Robert Gausman, Kara Johnsen, Monya Lane, and Cher Wollard

Absent: Commissioners Ninaad Desai, Angela Johal, and Sabrina Ohnemus

Staff Present: Staff Liaison Rebecca Cox

2. Citizens Forum

Deb Bailey, digital photography and IB visual arts teacher at Granada High School as well as the painter of the daffodil utility box mural at the base of Boot Hill, introduced herself. Granada HS has an International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB) that encourages students to engage in community involvement. Ms. Bailey proposed that IB students interview the Utility Box Mural artists to discover their motivation for their art, and write a two-page essay on what will be considered art in the future, using Livermore's public art in that essay. Other community involvement activities might include collecting art information for placement on a website. She introduced Arianna Walling, an IB student interested in art projects in the Community, and invited the Commission to forward very specific projects that students might undertake over the two-year period they are involved with the IB programme. Ms. Bailey will coordinate with Staff Liaison Cox on these projects.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 Approval of November 28, 2017 Meeting Minutes (motion required).

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LANE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WOLLARD TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 28, 2017 COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS GAUSMAN, JOHNSEN, LANE, AND WOLLARD
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONER CLEMENTS
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS DESAI, JOHAL, AND OHNEMUS

4. Matters for Consideration

4.1 Approval of Mini Grant, Cynthia Patton, Poet Laureate Science Poetry Contest

Commissioner Wollard presented the subcommittee report that recommends funding of \$550 to Cynthia Patton, the City's Poet Laureate, to support the second annual Science Poetry Contest in March 2018. She noted that this application meets the Arts strands contained in the Cultural Arts Master Plan.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLLARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLEMENTS, TO APPROVE A \$550 MINI GRANT TO CYNTHIA PATTON, THE CITY'S POET LAUREATE TO CONDUCT THE 2018 SCIENCE POETRY CONTEST.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS, CLEMENTS, GAUSMAN, JOHNSEN, LANE, AND WOLLARD
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS DESAI, JOHAL, AND OHNEMUS

4.2 Approval of Mini Grant, Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, DLUX Puppets

Commissioner Wollard presented the subcommittee report that recommends funding of \$1,000 to Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center (LVPAC) for artist fees and dissemination of study guides to local elementary schools for the performance of Alice in Wonderland by DLUX Puppets at the Bankhead Theater on February 12, 2018.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLLARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GAUSMAN, TO APPROVE A \$1,000 MINI GRANT TO LIVERMORE VALLEY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (LVPAC) FOR ARTIST FEES AND DISSEMINATION OF STUDY GUIDES TO LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR THE FEBRUARY 12, 2018 PERFORMANCE OF ALICE IN WONDERLAND BY DLUX PUPPETS AT THE BANKHEAD THEATER.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS, CLEMENTS, GAUSMAN, JOHNSEN, LANE, AND WOLLARD
NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS DESAI, JOHAL, AND OHNEMUS

4.3 Approval of Mini Grant, Pacific Chamber Orchestra

Commissioner Wollard presented the subcommittee report and recommended funding of \$1,000 to the Pacific Chamber Orchestra for support of the commission of a concerto for jazz violin and orchestra. The concerto will be performed at the Bankhead Theater on April 22, 2018. This program will support Strands 2 and 3 of the City's Cultural Arts Master Plan.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLLARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GAUSMAN, TO APPROVE A \$1,000 MINI GRANT TO LIVERMORE VALLEY PUBLIC ARTS CENTER TO SUPPORT THE COMMISSION OF A CONCERTO FOR JAZZ VIOLIN AND CHAMBER ORCHESTRA TO BE PERFORMED AT THE BANKHEAD THEATER ON APRIL 22, 2018.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS, CLEMENTS, GAUSMAN, JOHNSEN, LANE, AND WOLLARD
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS DESAI, JOHAL, AND OHNEMUS

4.4 Meeting Calendar Dates for 2018

Chairperson Lane proposed to amend the 2018 Meeting Dates, approved at the November meeting, to reflect the December 2018 meeting to be held on December 11, the second Tuesday of December, rather than December 19, the third Tuesday of December. This will allow more Commissioners to attend the holiday gathering scheduled after the December meeting each year.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER GAUSMAN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLEMENTS, TO APPROVE THE COMMISSION MEETING DATES FOR 2018 AS PRESENTED.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS, CLEMENTS, GAUSMAN, JOHNSEN, LANE, AND WOLLARD
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS DESAI, JOHAL, AND OHNEMUS

4.5 Appoint Ad Hoc Committee Members – Chairperson Lane

Chairperson Lane announced that Commissioner Desai intends to submit her resignation from the Commission because she is preparing to move out of Livermore.

Chairperson Lane led a review of the Ad Hoc Committees and appointed the following Commissioners to committees:

- Art Outside of Cultural Arts District; Commissioner Wollard
- Media Updates/Events Promotion; Commissioners Johnson (Chair) and Gausman
- Public Art in City Public Buildings Common Areas; Commissioners Johal, Lane, and Wollard (Chair)

4.6 Discussion of Goals and Priorities / Budget Discussion for FY 18/19 – Chairperson Lane

Chairperson Lane led a discussion of budget amounts for new budget items identified in the recent goals and priorities discussions. The proposed amounts generated from this discussion will be incorporated into the proposed FY 18-19 budget that will be presented for approval in January.

5. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

None - there was not enough time for any ad hoc committee reports.

6. Matters Initiated by Commissioners and Staff

6.1 Pending Dates/Activities for Next Month

None

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm to a regular January 23, 2017 Commission for the Arts meeting to begin at 4:30 p.m. at the Civic Center Library Board Room, 1188 South Livermore Avenue.