



ARTS COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 14, 2018

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Joy Langley, at 6:30 pm at the Mercer Island Community & Event Center, 8236 SE 24th St., Mercer Island, WA 98040

Roll Call

Members Present: Joy Langley, Amy Barnes, Joy Liechty, Matt Lome, Angelina Odievich, Jessica Prince, Rene Stratton and Erin Vivion.

Members Absent: Xixi Shakes, An Tootill and June Silverberg

City Council: City Council Member Salim Nice

MIVAL Liaison: Claudia Zimmerman

Staff: Kai Fulginiti, Diane Mortenson, Bruce Fletcher and Eileen Hemmis Trifts

Mercer Island Arts and Culture Comprehensive Plan Public Comment

Diane Mortenson, Recreation Superintendent opened the Arts and Culture Comprehensive Plan public comment period with a welcome to everyone attending and an introduction. She explained that the city comprehensive plan is a long-range planning document, establishing goals and policies affecting changes to land use, natural resource protection and city facilities and services. A number of amendments are being updated this year, and art is one of those plans. City staff and the Arts Council members have drafted these amendments and would like your input tonight.

The next steps after tonight will be to collect all of the public comments, consider the feedback, and then it will go to the City Planning Commission. They will review it during a number of planning sessions as well as hold a couple of public hearings before the City Council ultimately adopts the amendments to the plan before the end of the year.

Diane invited everyone to write their comments on the provided easels or drop them into the box at the back of the room. She invited them to interact with staff and Arts Council members to ask questions and share their comments.

The open public comment engagement ended at approximately 7:45pm.

Chair Joy Langley called the meeting back to order. She thanked everyone for attending and providing critical feedback on the draft Arts and Culture Comprehensive Plan.

Approval of Minutes

Amend: First word, first line, top of page 2, insert the word Deputy in front of Mayor.

Amy Barnes motioned to approve the minutes of February 15, 2018 as amended. The motion was seconded and passed.

Announcements:

Gallery Chair, Amy Barnes, requested that anyone available to help with hanging the next art exhibit on Sunday, April 15 starting at 10 am, contact her. She will put out an email as it gets closer.

Joy announced that this is Angelina Odievich's last meeting. She has resigned from her position on the Arts Council. Joy thanked her for her service to the Arts Council, and everyone wished her well.

Diane Mortenson announced that Kai Fulginiti has accepted a position with King County. This is her last meeting as well. Her last day is March 23. Joy thanked her for everything she has done for the Arts Council. Everyone congratulated Kai and wished her well.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

Joy Langley, Chair

Attest:

Eileen Hemmis Trifts, Scribe