

## ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Special Meeting: January 16, 2019

1812 Main Street, Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 6:39 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Kathy Kruse, Linda Ehmen, Navid Nikoo, John Vicente, Bridget Scott

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilmember Todd Welch, Jim Haugen, Events/Volunteer Coordinator, Kathy Pugh, City Clerk

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**Roll Call:** All present.

**Approval of Agenda:** Chair Ehmen said that New Projects was not included as a Standing Committee and requested that it be added.

**MOTION:** Moved by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Nikoo, to approve the agenda with the noted correction. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).

**Guest Business:** None.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

**Election of Chair and Vice Chair:**

**MOTION:** Moved by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Nikoo, to elect Commissioner Ehmen as Chair for 2019. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).

**MOTION:** Moved by Commissioner Nikoo, seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to elect Commissioner Vicente as Vice Chair for 2019. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).

**Arts and Parks Coordination Committee Representatives for 2019:** Following discussion there was consensus to appoint Commissioners Ehmen and Kruse as representatives to the Arts and Parks Coordination Committee. If a representative is not able to attend a meeting, an alternate will be identified by notifying the City Clerk who will alert the commissioners to the need for an alternate.

**Arts and Parks Foundation Representatives for 2019:** Following discussion there was consensus to appoint Commissioners Ehmen and Scott as representatives to the Arts and Parks Foundation.

Commissioner Kruse left the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

**Standing Committee Assignments:** The following Standing Committee assignments were made:

- Music By the Lake: Commissioners Ehmen and Vicente, with Commissioner Scott acting as backup
- Movies in the Park: Commissioners Scott and Nikoo
- Theater in the Park: Commissioners Scott and Nikoo
- Marketing/Promotional: Commissioner Kruse
- Community Outreach: Commissioner Ehmen
- Scholarship: Commissioner Scott

## Events:

**Yoga By the Lake:** Commissioner Nikoo updated that he has talked with several yoga instructors about conducting a yoga by the lake class on Saturday or Sunday mornings during the summer and received an enthusiastic response. One of the instructors is a Lake Stevens resident and has taught these types of programs previously. He is waiting for pricing information from the instructors he has spoken with. Commissioner Nikoo suggested the City would pay for the instructor and that citizens could come and enjoy the program at no cost.

Discussion ensued, and the suggestion was made that as well as adult classes, perhaps classes could be offered for children or for parents and children. Clerk Pugh said that once a cost is determined, that the City Risk Manager, Teri Smith will need to be brought into the conversation.

**Winterfest Recap:** There was consensus that a recap of this event was not necessary.

## Standing Committee Reports:

Chair Ehmen distributed a handout setting out a general schedule for preparing for each of the summer events over the course. Coordinator Haugen also shared a Work Schedule for Music by the Lake in 2019 which identifies both the general schedule and which elements of the schedule the Arts Commission or City Staff is responsible for.

**Music By the Lake:** Coordinator Haugen updated that he has been working with Commissioner Ehmen, and the themes of Percussion and Music from the 60's, 70's and 80's have been identified for this year's music program. For the Percussion event the Tulalip Tribes have been contacted, and he is also hopeful that a Japanese Taiko Drums group and a Steel Drum/Salsa group will be available. Additionally, the school district has been contacted to see if there is a percussion group at the high school, or one of the other schools, that could participate. The second program, Music from the 60's, 70's and 80's is anticipated to draw a large crowd and several bands have been identified that may be available. Coordinator Haugen anticipated performer selections will be made very soon.

**Movies in the Park:** Coordinator Haugen reported that he and Commissioner Scott have been working together to identify movies. As was done last year, one movie will be animated and targeted to a younger audience, and the second while appropriate for all ages, will be targeted to older children and adults. Under consideration for the animated movie is Spider Man. The goal is to select the movies by the next meeting. Commissioner Vicente suggested Mary Poppins as the second movie. Once the movies are selected they determine the preshow entertainment.

**Theater in the Park:** Commissioner Scott said she has been in contact with Last Leaf Productions and they are excited to do Shakespeare in the Park again this year. She has requested they make one of the productions more child friendly, and they have agreed to do so. Commissioners agreed that this was an excellent request and response.

**Community Outreach/Marketing:** No update.

**Adjourn:** Moved by Commissioner Nikoo, seconded by Commissioner Vicente, to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).

  
Kathy Pugh, City Clerk