

Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2018

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

Call to Order

Chair Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in Wing Room 120 at City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara Street, CA 95113.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Commissioners Richard James, Lynne Brown, Charlie McCollum, Ron Muriera, Tamiko Rast, Ramona Snyder, Albert Le, Smita Garg, Roma Dawson, Leanne Lindelof (arrived under item II.), and Mazyar Lotfalian.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner, Public Art Director Michael Ogilvie, and Arts Program Coordinator Tina Iv.

II. Public Comment

Fernando Perez from Sonido Clash announced that the Sonido Clash Music Fest will take place on September 2, 2019 at the School of Arts and Culture at MHP. Sonido Clash Music Fest is a Latinx alternative music festival that will feature multiple stages for local to international bands, DJs, and poets.

III. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of the meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 18, 2018.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Dawson, seconded by James, the meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 18, 2018 were approved. (8-0-2) (Commissioner Lindelof and Lotfalian abstained).

- B. Public Record
There was no public record filed.

IV. Reports and Information Only

- A. Welcome Mazyar Lotfalian to the Arts Commission.
Chair Snyder introduced and welcomed Mazyar Lotfalian to the Arts Commission. Commissioner Lotfalian provided a brief background about himself. Every Commissioner introduced themselves and provided a brief background as well.
- B. Council Liaison's Report
Vice Mayor Carrasco had no report.

C. **PRESENTATION:** Verbal Presentation from the San Jose Downtown Association. Communications Director Rick Jensen and Events and Promotions Director Amy Anderson presented with a Power Point presentation. They were both available for questions and comments from the Commission.

D. Chair's report

Chair Snyder reported on her attendance to the meet the artist event for the Edventale Library mural. She also reported on her attendance at the Japantown Artwalk, Summe Fest Festival, the private resident event about the Levitt Pavilion, the Light Tower brainstorming session, and the 10th Anniversary Flash Fiction Forum. Chair Snyder was extremely pleased that the San Jose Jazz made their festival accessible to everyone.

V. Business

1. Update on the Friends of Levitt Pavilion San Jose.

Chairman of the Board Rick Holden provided an update with regards to the Levitt Pavilion. He was available for questions and comments from the Commission.

2. Executive Committee

a. Committee Chair's report

Committee Chair Ron Muriera reported on the most recent meeting.

b. Recommend the Arts Commission to review and accept the Arts Commission's annual report for FY 2017-2018 and workplan for FY 2018-2019 and recommend its approval by the City Council's Community and Economic Development as required by City Council.

Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner presented items from the memo. She was available for questions and comments from the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner James made a motion to add to the FY 2017-2018 Annual Report that the Commission "conducted a study session on cultural equity and inclusion at the annual retreat." Commissioner Dawson made a friendly amendment to add to the FY 2018-2019 Workplan under objective three in the action statement to read as "review the Cultural Affairs' investments in the lifelong learning in the arts programs and access to the arts."

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Dawson, seconded by Brown, the recommendation the Arts Commission to review and accept the Arts Commission's annual report for FY 2017-2018 and workplan for FY 2018-2019 and recommend its approval by the City Council's Community and Economic Development as required by City Council was approved. (11-0-0)

Commission discussion ensued.

- c. Public Art Committee - Committee Chair's verbal report
Committee Chair Dawson reported from the most recent meeting. She announced that Brian Brush has been approved as the artist to paint the San Pedro Parking façade. She also announced her attendance at the meet the artist event for the Edenvale Library mural.
- d. Office of Cultural Affairs - Monthly verbal report
Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner highlighted items from the monthly report. She announced that CityDance kicked off on August 16th with Salsa. She invited the Commissioners to attend the next CityDance event on Thursday, August 23 featuring Country Line Dance.
- e. Arts Commission Liaisons (*2 minutes per report unless otherwise indicated*)
 - 1. City Hall Exhibits – Commissioner Lotfalian had no report.
 - 2. Silicon Valley Arts Coalition – Commissioner Brown reported on most recent meeting. She announced the dates for the next Noon Arts and Lectures. She also announced that San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles is calling for artists to apply to paint a public mural on the front exterior of the museum's building.
 - 3. Silicon Valley Creates – Commissioner James announced that the Content Magazine pick-up party will take place at the Winchester Mystery House. He noted that the City has approved the Creative Center for the Arts permit.
 - 4. Levitt Pavilion Committee – Commissioner Brown had no report.
 - 5. Hammer Theatre Committee – Commissioner James had no report.
 - 6. South First Area Committee – Commissioner Le had no report. He noted that the next meeting will take place on August 29th.
 - 7. San Jose Downtown Association – Chair Snyder had no report.
 - 8. San José Creates and Connects – Commissioner Muriera had no report. He noted that the next meeting will take place on Wednesday.
 - 9. Team San Jose – Chair Snyder had no report. She noted that there will be an update on Team San Jose at the CEDC meeting in September.
 - 10. SPUR – Commissioner McCollum had no report.
 - 11. Cornerstone of the Arts – Commissioner Garg reported that the committee met last month. She noted that the Committee discussed about moving the event times from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and entertainment.

- 1. Commission Communications

Various Commissioners announced upcoming events and performances.

VII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be on September 17, 2018 at 5:30 PM at City Hall in Wing Rooms 119 and 120.

VIII. Adjournment

Chair James adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

RAMONA SNYDER, CHAIR

ATTEST:
ARTS COMMISSION SECRETARY

TINA IV, ARTS PROGRAM COORDINATOR