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Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON ARTS COMMISSION

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

5:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Room 206 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Sheri Carter; Kia M. Karlen; Katie H. Ryan; Francesca H. Rodriguez; Yvette M. Pino; Bethany M. Jurewicz and Taeli S. T. Reistad

Excused: 3 - Faisal Abdu'Allah; Ginger A. Contreras and Anna T. January

APPROVAL OF October 3, 2019 MINUTES

A motion was made by Pino, seconded by Rodriguez, to Approve the October 3, 2019 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Taeli Reistad will recuse herself from discussion of the Overture contract. Kia discloses that she plays at some community events at Overture but it will not impact her ability to make unbiased decision regarding the performance of their contract.

1. [57635](#) Poet Laureate Selection

Adam Pergament, also known as FlowPoetry, recited one of his poems in support of his Poet Laureate application, and thanked Oscar Mireles for his service as Poet Laureate. He also invited commissioners to his poetry book release event this coming Monday, November 18, at High Noon Saloon; Jason Robert Van Pelt spoke in support of his Poet Laureate application and recited the poem, "Memory" by Abraham Lincoln; Rachel Werner spoke in support of her Poet Laureate application.

Oscar Mireles sat at the table with MAC for the discussion of the Poet Laureate decision. He described the many skill sets necessary for this position including: organization, social networking, and patience. He mentioned the demands of the position, especially managing Bus Lines and vetting all the applications. He also advised MAC to consider a generational shift in picking the next poet. This is a position that is about passing the torch.

MAC asked staff to draft a one page speaker form about booking the Poet Laureate. Yvette would like to suggest that Jason Van Pelt and other poets be given more opportunities to participate in civic projects. Sheri spoke to the importance of having a Poet Laureate speak at the Common Council meetings. MAC suggested having an open nomination period, then the Poet will be invited to supply the application material. Nominations have to be early enough that there is time for the nominated poet to submit an application.

A motion was made by Pino, seconded by Rodriquez, to consider Rob Franklin and Angie Trudell Vasquez as the two top choices for Poet Laureate. The motion passed by voice vote/other

A motion was made by Jurewicz, seconded by Rodriquez, to Approve Angie Trudell Vasquiz as first choice and Rob Franklin as second choice. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. [32522](#) Review Overture Contract

Ed Holmes presented.
City funding is used for free & low cost programming, whatever is left over it goes to Capital costs.
MAC members would like Overture issue on agenda for further, deeper discussion on next meeting

2b. [57953](#) Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Annual Performance Contract with Overture Center Foundation, Inc. for the 2020 operations of the Overture Center, and providing for a grant from the City.

A motion was made by Carter, seconded by Ryan, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the FINANCE COMMITTEE. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. [27011](#) Art in Public Places

A motion was made by Rodriquez, seconded by Reistad, to Approve \$2,800 to Actual Size for Capital East parking; \$1,500 to Anwar-Floyd Prut for a BLINK experience at Teresa Terrace; and \$500 to Gail Simpson to provide a public art project mentorship. Hold on Harnack Signage until the 2020 budget. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [37957](#) Art for Public Market

Refer to December meeting

5. [57899](#) Percent for Art Report

Refer to Future meeting

6. [27987](#) Art Space Exhibition Proposal

Refer to December meeting

7. [30511](#) Madison Art Commission Strategy and Direction

Refer to December meeting

8. [32517](#) Honors Event

Refer to December meeting

- 9. [16650](#) MAC Meeting Dates & Locations
 Refer to December meeting

- 10. [21279](#) MAC Administrative Reports

- 11. [54075](#) 2019 Press and Publicity

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. in anticipation of losing quorum.