

# Kirkland Cultural Arts Commission (KCAC) Meeting Minutes September 16, 2020 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting – Zoom

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dana Nunnelly called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

## 2. ROLL CALL

**Members Present**: Chairperson Dana Nunnelly, Commissioner Michelle Lustgarten, Commissioner Ryan James, Commissioner Tere Thompson, Vice Chair Tracy MacLean, Commissioner Dawn Laurant, Commissioner Lani Brockman, Commissioner Kim Radcliffe, and Commissioner Barbie Collins Young

**Staff Present:** Assistant City Manager Jim Lopez, Web and Multimedia Content Specialist Chris Hendrickson and Senior Project Engineer Anneke Davis

**Absent:** Commissioner Savannah Klein

Guests: Kirkland City Councilmember Amy Falcone and Kirkland resident Nikayla Rice

**Note:** Commissioner James had a scheduling conflict and left at 5:45 p.m.

#### 3. COMMUNICATIONS

#### a. Items from the Audience

Nikayla Rice introduced herself and expressed a desire to create a community Black lives matter-inspired mural in the City of Kirkland.

Councilmember Amy Falcone expressed her support of Ms. Rice's vision for the equity mural.

## 4. BUSINESS

## a. Approval of July minutes

Motion to approve the July 2020 minutes made by Vice Chair MacLean and seconded by Commissioner Brockman. Motion carried unanimously, 9-0.

#### 5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

## a. Fire Station 24 Art by Anneke Davis

Senior Project Engineer Anneke Davis provided information about the final design of the public art slated for Fire Station 24 and requested a recommendation from the KCAC to move forward and seek Council approval of the art.

## (1) Fire Station 24 Public Art

Commissioner Brockman moved to recommend the final proposal for the Fire Station 24 art to the City Council for its approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lustgarten. Motion carried unanimously, 9-0.

#### b. Juanita Beach Bathhouse Update

Anneke Davis gave a brief update on the public art slated for installation at Juanita Beach.

#### 6. OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- a. Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Gallery, committee: Chair Tere Thompson, Commissioner Lani Brockman and Commissioner James
  - (1) Centro Cultural Mexicano Exhibit

Park Lane Committee Chair Tere Thompson presented a proposal to use \$6,000 of the KCAC's 2020 4Culture funding to contract with Redmond artists Angie Hinojos Yusuf and Carlos Jimenez to create two new sculptures and extend the duration of the current four-piece exhibit so that all six pieces would remain in place on Park Lane through spring of 2021. Per the artists' proposal, the artists would "retain all rights to, and ownership of, the work."

Discussion ensued.

As a compromise, Commissioner Laurant moved to use \$4,000 of 4Culture money from 2020 to grant to the Centro artists to extend the sculpture exhibit on Park Lane through the end of March and add an additional two new sculptures to the four that are there. The two additional sculptures would be removed at the end of March with the other four. If the artists cannot do two, the KCAC asks for one additional sculpture for \$3,000.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Radcliffe.

Commissioner Thompson then proposed an amendment to the motion to stipulate that the KCAC would contract with the artists for \$6,000 with the agreement that the two new sculptures would stay on Park Lane past the end of March and become a part of the 2021 People of Culture exhibit. As part of People of Culture, the two sculptures would be displayed through June of 2022.

The amendment was seconded by Commissioner Collins Young.

The amendment did not carry, failing in a one to seven (1-7) vote.

The compromised motion in its original form carried unanimously, 8-0.

(2) People of Culture Exhibit

Commissioner Thompson additionally presented the committee's vision for the future of Park Lane, which is a called People of Culture. General discussion ensued. Although there was not a vote at this time, it should be noted that the Commission was unanimously enthusiastic about this concept and its support of R-5240 affirming that

Kirkland is a safe, inclusive and welcoming city, and now R-5434 affirming that Black lives matter.

# b. 120th Street Sidewalk Committee Assignment

The 120th Street Sidewalk Committee was formed to include Commissioner Lustgarten, Vice Chair MacLean and Commissioner Laurant.

## 7. GOOD OF THE ORDER

a. Chairperson Nunnelly outlined a strategy to help commissioners stay informed on all ongoing projects.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 21, 2020