

Cultural Arts Commission Minutes

November 14, 2019

The Cultural Arts Commission met on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at Richardson City Hall, City Manager's Conference Room, Richardson, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Catherine Burdette, Chair
Kim Quirk, Vice-Chair
Elizabeth Gonzalez
Sandy Palisch
Anthony Pampillonia

MEMBERS ABSENT: Curtis Dorian
Amy Taylor

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Shanna Sims-Bradish, Assistant City Manager
Kyle Kepner, City Council Liaison

1. Chair Catherine Burdette called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose to discuss the following agenda items:
2. Receive Overview of Arts Programming in Parks and Recreation.

Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Yvonne Falgout provide an overview of arts programming within the Parks and Recreation Department which included the following:

- Art Centered Events – including Cottonwood Festival, Huffhines Festival, Wildflower Festival, Santa's Village, Senior Holiday Bazaar, Senior Center and the photography contest
- Arts Programs offered through Heights and Huffhines Recreation Centers and the Senior Center
- Arts Partnerships with First United Methodist Church Richardson and Richardson ISD

Cultural Arts Commission members expressed their appreciation to Parks and Recreation staff for all of their efforts to promote the arts in Richardson.

3. Review and Discuss Ideas for the Spring 2020 Art Workshop.

Cultural Arts Commission members reviewed the initial ideas discussed at the October meeting for the Spring 2020 Art Workshop. After discussion among members, the Cultural Arts Commission identified the following ideas:

- Workshop Time: preferred moving to late afternoon (i.e. 4:00 p.m.) to allow for networking time after the event
- Topic Ideas: telling your story/selling your organization, structured creativity

- Location: Like the idea of a location that could also be used for networking. Ideas discussed including Alamo Drafthouse, Communion Cooperative and the Eisemann Center

Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish stated that she would follow-up on these ideas and provide a status report at the January 9th meeting.

3. Review and Finalize the 2020 Cultural Arts Commission Meeting Calendar.
Cultural Arts Commission members discussed proposed meeting dates for 2020. After some discussion, Cultural Arts Commission member decided to make the following changes to the 2020 meeting calendar:

- Moving the March meeting to March 5th to avoid conflicting with Plano ISD Spring Break
- Moving the start time of the April 9th meeting to 4:00 p.m. to avoid conflicts with Easter events

Chair Catherine Burdette stated that meetings could be cancelled or modified during the year based on the needs of the Cultural Arts Commission.

5. Review and Discuss 2019-2020 Arts Grant Recipients.

Members discussed recent and upcoming performances/events of Richardson Symphony Orchestra, Texas Performing Chinese Arts Association, Richardson Arts Alliance and the 2019 Obelisk Awards.

Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish reported that based on input provided by the guest speaker at the Fall Workshop, the Richardson Public Library has acquired an online grant resource that will be available for all to use at no charge starting in January 2020.

6. Review the 2020 Cultural Arts Commission Meeting Calendar.

The next Cultural Arts Commission meeting will be January 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. The Cultural Arts Commission will not meet in December due to the Boards and Commissions Dinner on December 11th.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business of the Commission, Chair Catherine Burdette adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.