



**MINUTES**

**May 2, 2016**

*The Edmonds Arts Commission: dedicated to the arts, an integral part of community life.*

City of Edmonds Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department

**PRESENT:**

Beverly Shaw Starkovich	Suzy Maloney	STAFF	AUDIENCE
Samantha Saether	Lesly Kaplan	Frances Chapin	
Marni Muir	Lois Rathvon		
	Kyla Blair		

**Absent:**

Excused: Kevin Conefrey

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Beverly Shaw-Starkovich, Chair

**INTRODUCTIONS –**

**MINUTES –**Approval of 4/4/16 minutes, Muir Moved, Saether Seconded, Approved.

**AGENDA –** Added On the Fence as item A.5 and moved CC presentation to A.6. Added Civic Stakeholders as B.2.

**REPORTS -**

**A. Creative Programs**

1. **WOTS Update** – Kaplan updated on the work being done by Rose to complete all the contract paperwork and get the brochure printed, and add new content to the website. She asked Commissioners to review the website and reminded them of the conference dates and the need for volunteers on all three days. Chapin confirmed that EPIC will organize the dine arounds on Saturday.
  
2. **Best Book Poster Contest** – Shaw and other Commissioners complimented Rose for an excellent event. It was a full house and the families were very enthusiastic. All agreed that it is an exciting event which brings attention to EAC and has a positive long term impact on the students with respect to reading and doing art. Muir suggested that a backdrop might be created for next year for families to take pictures in front of. Discussion followed about taking pictures at the event. Rathvon suggested that many take pictures in front of the student’s artwork and we might want to consider this when hanging the exhibit.
  
3. **Concerts** – Commissioners discussed distributing the flyers earlier. Several took copies to leave at Harbor Square, Artworks etc.
  
4. **Tourism Promotion for 2017** – The application information has been sent out and they are due June first. Muir, Maloney, and Kaplan will review and make recommendations to be presented at the June 6 EAC meeting.
  
5. **On the Fence/Temporary Public Art** – Chapin presented an application for a bee related hive sculpture from Fairbanks and Wickstrom. Commissioners discussed and concluded that it is not the best fit for the fence location. They would be interested in a proposal for student artwork related to the bee crisis and suggested that one of the many summer camps might be interested in such a project. Chapin read the proposal regarding rain barrels and Commissioners were not enthusiastic

about placing barrels downtown but thought that the On the Fence opportunity might be used by artists to educate people about the use of rainwater. Chapin will contact Snohomish Conservation District to discuss.

- 6. Annual Report/CCP Implementation Update** - Shaw will meet with Chapin and plan on giving a short annual report at Council on May 17. Blair has volunteered to assist in presenting information about the CCP Implementation process. Commissioners discussed the format and content for the presentations including an overview of the number of meetings, people involved, diversity, and volunteer hours in the implementation process. It is important to point out how much has been accomplished by EAC with very small budget. Chapin will send out a draft of content.

**B. Capital Projects**

- 1. Dayton Street Plaza** – The concrete has been poured and Chapin has kept in touch with both tenants in the building, Driftwood and ArtWorks.
- 2. Civic Master Plan Stakeholder meetings** – Commissioners signed up for interviews on May 23.

STAFF REPORT – Chapin reported that the City has applied to be part of the Sustainable Cities Partnership program with Western Washington University and if selected at least two of the projects will be partially arts related.

OTHER BUSINESS –

AUDIENCE COMMENTS -

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:38 PM**