

CITY OF EVERETT
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

April 9, 2019 – 5 pm

Van Valey House

2130 Colby Avenue

Acceptance of March Minutes: Motion to approve: Alison Musch; Seconded Kristen Boswell. All in favor.

Commissioners Present: Kristen Boswell, Elizabeth Person, Diane Wright, Deb Fox, Cat Snapp, Kati Nickerson, Rosemary Jones, Alison Musch

Commissioners Absent: Hugh Denny, Cheryl Davis, Jason Grim, Yasmin Wisecarver Baron, Maren Oates.

Guests: David Lotz, CC Kuehl, Sharita Burton, Dan Eernisse

Staff: Lisa Newland and Carol Thomas

CC Kuehl gave an update on the Everett Chorale. Their new Artistic Director and Conductor is Jennifer Rodgers. The April 8 performance at the Everett Performing Arts Center (EPAC) was sold out and their next performance will be June 16th at 3 pm, also at the EPAC. This performance is titled “Will Sing for Food: Concert for the Hungry & Homeless”. The Everett Chorale has been building its audience by partnering with the Imagine Children’s Museum and the Everett Public Library giving small 30 minute performances at those venues.

Dan Eernisse, Economic Development Director with the City of Everett, talked about his thoughts on interactive street art in the downtown core. Dan was awarded a \$4,000 LTAC grant to begin a pilot program. He wants to create moments of interactive delight- an ongoing portfolio of artwork designed for pedestrian interaction with hashtags that promote social media posts. Dan has identified two potential mural locations. The Cultural Arts Commission will work with Dan on the Call for Artists, the selection process and community and property owner input. Kati Nickerson noted that the works should reflect our cultural identity/ history, and that we include under-represented populations.

Alison Musch gave an update on Park-lets day, September 20th. Ali met with Madison Miller of the Downtown Everett Association. Madison has been working with Brock Howell of the Everett Station Alliance on Parklets day. The Cultural Arts Commission can support Parklets day by encouraging businesses to participate by helping with a ‘how-to’ flyer and inspirational ideas to get started. The Cultural Arts Commission may even consider creating a parklet of their own. A parklet is a small seating area or green space created as a public amenity on or alongside a sidewalk, especially in a parking space.

At the March commission meeting, David Lotz mentioned that the date of the Park-Lets would correspond well with the September Art Walk which is Thursday, September 19th.

Broadway Bus Bulb- Carol Thomas gave an update on the project: Everett Transit was unable to fund artistic bike racks and so the proposal was brought to the cultural arts commission to fund the bike racks through the 1% for Arts Fund.

Kati Nickerson made a motion to use 1% funds up to \$15,000 to pay artist to fabricate 22 artistic and functional bike racks. Diane Wright Seconded. All in favor.

Kristen Boswell gave an update on Fisherman’s Village and the Maker’s Market ‘Night Market’. She needs 3 to 4 volunteers to help with tent decorating on Saturday, May 17th, 8 am – noon. Volunteers will receive a free pass to Fisherman’s Village.

New Business: none

Citizen Comments: none

Adjourn: 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting:

May 7, 2019 5 p.m.

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