

Cultural Commission February 27, 2012

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

The Cultural Affairs Commission of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. at the Bedford Public Library, 2424 Forest Ridge Drive, Bedford, TX on the 27th day of February, 2012 with the following members were present:

Alicia McGlinchey, Chair  
Elyse McNabb  
Thomas Jacobsen  
David Medina  
Lee Koch  
Dr. Paul Davis

Constituting a quorum

Others present included:

Beverly Griffith, Staff Liaison  
Ray Champney, Council Liaison  
Mirenda McQuagge-Walden, Staff Liaison  
Jim Griffin, Council Memeber

Absentees: Barbara Speares

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairwoman Alicia McGlinchey called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

The icebreaker for the evening was what was your favorite movie this last year?

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

- 1. Consider and act upon a recommendation to the City Council for the Vice-Chairperson of the Cultural Commission.**

Alicia McGlinchey made the motion to elect Tom Jacobsen as the vice chair of the Cultural Commission; the motion was seconded by David Medina. The motion passed 6-0

- 2. Consider and act upon the appointment of a Secretary for the Cultural Commission.**

The item to consider the appointment of a secretary for the Cultural Commission was tabled.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 3. Consider approval of the following Cultural Commission minutes:  
a. February 13, 2012 regular meeting**

Lee Koch made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of February 13, 2012; the motion was seconded by Paul Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **4. Receive an update on the Central Bedford Development Zone plan.**

Ray Champney gave a quick update.

### **5. Discussion regarding the next steps for the Cultural Assessment process**

Alicia McGlincey gave an update from the first stakeholder committee meeting for the Central Bedford Development Zone Plan by Kimley-Horn. They received a timeline overview, rated pictures of various mixed use developments and rated various assets in Bedford.

Ray Champney felt the meeting did not address what we want to accomplish. What he envisions does not exist yet and to vote on what is already in existence seemed disheartening. He envisions something more open air - like Santa Fe or Guadalajara. He suggested incorporating an event planner in the process to help give ideas on what we can do.

Tom Jacobsen provided a summary of all the key stakeholder meetings and identified eight repeating themes:

- 1) Start with what you have and support it
- 2) Need to Integrate diverse groups
- 3) Partnerships for synergy
- 4) Survey existing facilities, re-purpose buildings, use existing buildings for display
- 5) Catalyst - incubator for artists
- 6) New facilities
- 7) Communications
- 8) Uniqueness

The next step is an information sweep and some general assignments were given to begin the process.

A group trip to visit the Dallas Creative Arts Center and the Levitt Pavilion in Arlington was tentatively scheduled for Friday, April 6, leaving the Bedford Library at 9:30 a.m.

There will be a public open house and workshop with Kimley -Horn on Tuesday March 20th at 7:00 pm at the Library.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Elyse McNabb made the motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Paul Davis. Motion passed 6-0.

Chair McGlinchey adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Approved:

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Alicia McGlinchey, Chair