

**Cultural Commission June 13, 2016**

**STATE OF TEXAS §**

**COUNTY OF TARRANT §**

**CITY OF BEDFORD §**

**The Cultural Commission of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in special session at 6:35 p.m. at the Bedford Public Library, 2424 Forest Ridge Drive, Bedford, TX on the 13th day of June 2016 with the following members present:**

Tom Jacobsen, Chair  
Josh Santillan  
Lee Koch  
Dr. Paul Davis  
Roger Gallenstein  
Sonya Hood

Constituting a quorum

Others present included:  
Wendy Hartnett, Staff Liaison  
Ray Champney, Council Liaison  
JC Phrey, Central Arts of Bedford Resident Artist

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Tom Jacobsen called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 1. Consider approval of the following Cultural Commission minutes:**
  - a) May 9, 2016 regular meeting**

Motion made by Roger Gallenstein and seconded by Dr. Paul Davis to approve the minutes with edits. The motion was unanimously approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2. Cultural District Master Plan and Wayfinding update.**

Jeff Florey presented the cross section and signage diagrams to the Commission. Tom Jacobsen asked Councilman Champney if the City Council was likely to back the plan. Councilman Champney explained that by laying out a formalized plan to paper, City Council would be more likely to support the effort. Mr. Florey will be emailing these diagrams to the Commission for their final opinions.

**3. Twilight Thursday update and discussion.**

Mr. Florey updated the Commission on this year's Twilight Thursday performances and the problem that rain has caused again. Roger Gallenstein expressed his concern with having weekly concerts. Mr. Gallenstein thinks it would be a good idea to explore how Roanoke conducts their concert series throughout the year. The Commission agreed to table this discussion until later in the year.

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### **4. Danny Wright concert update.**

Mr. Florey informed the Commission that only 15 tickets had been sold so far. Lee Koch asked if there had been any advertising in the local paper. Mr. Florey explained that there would not be any advertising in the local paper and that promotion for the event will be solely under City of Bedford resources, such as the website, water bill and social media.

### **5. Non-Profit partnership discussion.**

Mr. Jacobsen confirmed that the provided ONSTAGE Theater agreement was reviewed by the City Attorney. Mrs. Koch requested clarification on why the Commission had yet to submit an agreement to the Arts Council. Councilman Champney explained the previous discussions between the Arts Council board and himself. Mr. Florey clarified that the Commission had not yet been informed that they needed to formalize an agreement between the Arts Council and the Cultural Commission. Mrs. Koch expressed her dismay at members of the Commission approaching ONSTAGE Theater and explained that it would be better for Arts Council to hold the agreement with the Cultural Commission. Mr. Gallenstein expressed his concern for the "voluntary donation" statement in the ONSTAGE Theater agreement. Mr. Jacobsen will work on formalizing an agreement with the non-profit subcommittee and Arts Council in the next couple of weeks.

Due to a vacancy on the non-profit subcommittee, Josh Santillan nominated Dr. Paul Davis and was seconded by Sonya Hood. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **6. Central Arts of Bedford introduction and discussion.**

Mr. Santillan presented upcoming shows and the status of the Central Arts of Bedford studio. Mr. Santillan also introduced his resident artist JC Phrey, who will also be teaching classes at the Central Arts of Bedford.

### **7. Report from the ArtsFest, Storefront Gallery and Arts Incubator Subcommittees with follow-up discussion.**

Mr. Santillan reported on the status of the storefronts and informed the Commission that there was enough art to expand to new locations.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:20 p.m. Mrs. Koch made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Santillan seconded. Approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Approved:

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Tom Jacobsen, Chair