

Cultural Commission June 12, 2017

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CITY OF BEDFORD §

The Cultural Commission of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in special session at 6:40p.m. at the Bedford Public Library, 2424 Forest Ridge Drive, Bedford, TX on the 12th day of June 2017 with the following members present:

Lee Koch
Barbara Speares
Tom Jacobsen
Sabra Doggett
Paul Davis
Josh Santillan

Constituting a quorum

Others present included:
Jeff Florey, Staff Liasion
Juan Zamora
Sergio Santos

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tom Jacobsen called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1. Consider approval of the following Cultural Commission minutes:**
 - a) April 10, 2017 regular meeting**
 - b) May 15, 2017 regular meeting**

Motion was made by Mr. Santillan and seconded by Ms. Koch, to approve the April 10, 2017 minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Jacobsen and seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve the May 15, 2017 minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Discussion and possible action on Arts at the Meadows Pop Up Show.

Mr. Santos and Mr. Santillan shared that the show was successful. Mr. Santos shared that artists were happy and made sales. A lot of money went into paying the musicians. It was discussed that perhaps the artists not be paid. The food truck was guaranteed a minimum and they were paid the difference between the minimum and the sales they took in.

3. Discuss and possible action on Central Arts of Bedford activities.

Mr. Santillan shared that the gallery is hosting at least two shows a month. The next show is the wrestling show. Art Down – wrestling theme – challenging the Grackle Gathering in Fort Worth on June 24 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. July 1 is the short film festival “Bedford Shorts”

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featuring ten different filmmakers. "Me and My Critter" is on July 8. The July 4 meetup will be at the gallery. If a tent is needed, Mr. Florey advised he can provide it. Tag Team Chowdown is a new show that Mr. Santillan has begun on Facebook, where he and Sergio Santos review local restaurants. They have already reviewed Crazy Cowboy and hope to do more. There is a need to move art since the storefronts are no longer available since they are leasing the space out. On July 22, there is "Paint and Iron". Mr. Zamora promoted a map of art in the city of Bedford that would show historic sites and art work. There was discussion on maybe doing a map quarterly or creating a "passport" for patrons, which was part of the centennial event for the city and very successful. Mr. Santillan shared that the gallery needs donations.

4. Discussion and possible action on potential Chalk Walk, ArtsTalk, and Film Festival events.

Mr. Jacobsen had a contact in Naples, FL for a Chalk Walk and asked for contacts and suppliers and procedures. He suggested planning the Chalk Walk tentatively in the fall. Mr. Davis shared that Savannah, Georgia, has a chalk walk. Mr. Santillan shared that it could be on the path. The Kiwanis Club could be involved. In Savannah, Mr. Davis shared there were different categories, including some for small children, older children, young adults. Mr. Santillan really wants an ARTS Talk, which is on the next agenda. There is a need determine what the Commission wants to accomplish from the artists. Ms. Koch discussed adding the budget for the Texas Commission on the Arts to the next agenda.

Mr. Davis shared that Ashville, North Carolina has a film festival, visitor's center and art galleries. Mr. Santillan shared that Glen Franklin will be hosting the first film night on July 1. The Commission suggested the arts district/gallery host a film festival once a month. Central Arts of Bedford's scheduled film fest will feature ten films. The festival is scheduled for July 1 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Review of the festival's success will take place at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Koch made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Davis seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved:

Tom Jacobsen, Chair