

#### DEPARTMENT of COMMUNITY and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

JACKIE BISKUPSKI MAYOR

KAREN KRIEGER DIRECTOR

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 10, 2016 Finch Lane Gallery in Reservoir Park

**PRESENT:** Mike Colby Richard Jaramillo

Kerri Hopkins John Johnson
Whitney King Hyans Eva Rinaldi
Linda Hunt Cannon Tarbet
Chad Whittaker

#### **Staff Members**

Karen Krieger, Executive Director Kandace Steadman, Visual Arts Program Manager Wendy Evanoff, Office Facilitator Jesse Schaefer, Performing Arts Program Manager

**EXCUSED:** Kelsey Ellis, Assistant Director

GUESTS: Sylvia Richards, Public Policy Analyst, City Council Office

Lia Summers, Sr. Advisor for Arts and Culture, Salt Lake City Mayor's Office

### I. Call to Order/Approval of the Minutes

Ms. Kerri Hopkins called the meeting to order at approximately 5:35 p.m. Mr. Cannon Tarbet made a motion to approve the minutes from June's board meeting; the motion was seconded by Mr. John Johnson and passed unanimously.

### **II. Executive Committee**

Ms. Lia Summers reported that on August 22-24 the Cultural Planning Group, who was hired to create the action plan for the Cultural Core, will be in town for a site visit. She mentioned that during the site visit all of the ideas previously presented will be prioritized with the community. She reported there will be two public open houses, one on Tuesday, August 23, at the Central Utah Art Center and Wednesday, August 24, at the Rio Gallery. Ms. Summers also reported that a Cultural Core Survey was launched last week and there have been approximately 1,200 responses so far.

Ms. Karen Krieger reported that the City's auditors completed their audit of the Arts Council. Ms. Kelsey Ellis and Ms. Krieger met with them to discuss several questions regarding their analysis. The City auditors are revising their findings.

The Council's Executive Committee will respond to the final audit documents. Ms. Krieger reported that the auditors reviewed the Arts Council's financial status and the City's contribution to the Arts Council's finances over the past six years. There was also testing on accounting procedures.

Ms. Karen Krieger announced that Ms. Lara Frits, new Director of the Department of Economic Development, is creating a strategic plan for the new department for the next year. Each division director within the department contributed to the plan. Ms. Krieger stated this creates an opportunity for the Arts Council to prepare a tandem strategic plan which would be a three year plan and will coincide with the end of the Mayor's first term. She mentioned this will be a blue print for moving forward with the organization.

# III. Budget Update

Ms. Karen Krieger presented a review of revenue and attendance for the first three Twilight concerts in 2016. She included comparisons from the past three years and a projection for the remaining four shows.

Ms. Karen Krieger reported that the City Budget Amendment #2 will be due August 31, 2016 to the administration. She stated that the Council will either approve it or not at the meeting in November which means the Arts Council would have the funds in December. If approved, this will help fill the gap in this year's Twilight Concert Series.

### **IV.** Committee Reports

Ms. Linda Hunt presented the Grants committee recommendations for the FY2016-2017 City Arts Grant Funding. She reported that there were 114 grants of all different sizes from various organizations submitted. Ms. Hunt stated that every grant application is carefully reviewed by the Grants Committee and she announced the amount of allocations for each grant category. Mr. Richard Jaramillo made a motion to approve the recommendations of the grants committee; the motion was seconded by Mr. John Johnson and passed unanimously.

Ms. Linda Hunt reported that the Grants Committee recommends that Friends of the Library be funded for a Mini Grant which are approved separately because they are submitted quarterly. Mr. Richard Jaramillo made a motion to approve the Mini Grant; the motion was seconded by Mr. John Johnson and passed unanimously.

## V. Staff Reports

Ms. Kandace Steadman reported that the opening reception for the 35x35 show is Friday, August 12 from 6-9 p.m.

Ms. Wendy Evanoff reported that the Arts Council received a donation from Amazon Smiles for the first time. She stated it wasn't a large donation and reminded everybody when they shop on Amazon to use Amazon Smile.

Mr. Jesse Schaefer mentioned that when purchasing Twilight Concert tickets, customers have the option to make a donation to the Arts Council and many have done so. Mr. Schaefer also reported that Jenny Lewis will be performing for the August 11<sup>th</sup> Twilight concert. He stated that she performed in 2009 and will return as the headliner this year. Mr. Schaefer reported that the Brown Bag Concert Series is in its second week, which is hosted by SpyHop and their 801 sessions. This

provides the students at SpyHop an opportunity to gain various technical and event management experience.

Ms. Karen Krieger gave an update on the Public Art Program Manager position reporting there were 101 applicants. Ms. Krieger and Ms. Kelsey Ellis selected ten applicants to interview.

Ms. Karen Krieger reported on the Public Art Program. She stated that the Design Board met with Mr. Gordon Huether, an artist from Napa, California. Mr. Huether created the art piece for the Trax Line at the Salt Lake International Airport. Ms. Maureen Riley, the Director at the airport has commissioned Mr. Huether to be the artist embedded in the new airport renovation project and is creating a number of large, integrated installations. Ms. Krieger also reported on the McClelland Trail project, stating it is progressing well. She also reported that Flying Objects 5.0 is in full swing. The artists are submitting their engineering drawings and going through the final approval process.

### VI. Arts Event Discussion/Coming Events – None

VII. Public Comment – None

VIII. Other Business/Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m