

TRACY ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

Chair Reis called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Dhugga, Jones, Lees, Reis and Sandhu present.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Barbara McVey of Tracy, CA introduced herself as a photographer and filmmaker who is new to the community, in attendance for informational purposes. Catalina Piña and José L. Piña Morales of Tracy, CA introduced themselves as members of the local creative community, in attendance to discuss Item 5A., Continue Discussion of FY2023-24 Funding and Programming Recommendations.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING ON NOVEMBER 14, 2023

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the minutes as submitted. Voice vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 5:0

3. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF FY2023-24 FUNDING AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS

CAM Wilson provided the Staff Report and advised Commissioners to refer to the November meeting minutes for helpful reference in the continued discussion.

In consideration of Arts Month in April 2024, Chair Reis stated she invited Catalina and José to the meeting in order to discuss creating a mural in a fun and engaging way. They explained their desire to collaborate with the Tracy Arts Commission to create a sectional mural, executed in 1 to 2 days with community participants. A preliminary sketch would be drawn on each section, with youth and adults painting them. The panels would be assembled to create a larger, diverse mural. Commissioners voiced support, with the theme and logistics to be determined. CAM Wilson suggested the mural could be completed in time to be used as a backdrop to the Open Mic Night event on Thursday, April 18, and then placed on public display at the Grand for the remainder of the month. Chair Reis suggested the mural could also be on display at local businesses.

In consideration of the 2024 Granting Program, Commissioners agreed that offering two \$2,000 grants would be of more value to applicants and the community.

CAM Wilson advised the FY2023-24 Funding and Programming Recommendations will be placed on the January agenda for review and approval. Discussion of Arts Month,

April 2024 will begin in January, and discussion of the 2023 Annual Report will begin February.

4. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioners gave brief summaries of their activities relating to arts and culture within the last month.

5. ITEMS FROM STAFF

None.

6. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 7:43 p.m.

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Vice Chair Dhugga to adjourn.
Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

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