

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Arts Commission**

6:30 PM
May 10, 2021

Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commissioners:

Bridget Agabra
Tracey Craig
Julie Griffin (*Excused Absence*)
Tina Velazquez Hays
Tracie Mahadeo
Eric Morgret
Fred Poyner

Administration/Staff:

Amy Dukes, Arts Program Administrator

Guests:

Jennifer Fink, Park Planner, City of Issaquah

Wendy Oliver, Alternate serving as Regular
Member
Rachel Wright, Alternate

CALL TO ORDER

AGABRA called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) AGABRA moved to approve the minutes of April 12, 2021. MAHADEO seconded the motion. Minutes were approved, unanimously.

STAFF REPORT

DUKES provided updates on public art RFQs. The commission will review both the Providence Point signal wrap art submissions, and the Festival Street asphalt mural artist qualification submissions at its June 14 meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS

- a) **Welcome and Introduction of Arts Commissioners**
New and Returning Arts Commissioners introduced themselves to each other. There are three new commissioners: Tina Velazquez Hays, Fred Poyner IV and Rachel Wright.
- b) **Blackberry Park Project Updates**
Jennifer Fink, Park Planner, City of Issaquah
Jennifer Fink gave a presentation overview of the park improvement project, detailing the community engagement process and the art integration into the project.

c) **2021 Arts Commission Workplan**

Arts Commission

Arts Commissioners reviewed and discussed major projects in arts grants, public art and programming for the remainder of 2021.

d) **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

Amy Dukes, Arts Program Administrator

Commissioners discussed the chair and vice chair roles and decided to table elections to the June 14 meeting, while keeping the current commission leadership in place until then.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Poyner IV will have an author event for his new book "Portland Public Sculptors" at Café Ladro on Sunday, May 16, noon – 3pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41pm.