



City of Chelsea
Recreation & Cultural Affairs Division
Minutes
Monday, December 6, 2021

Members: Marlene Jennings, Chair; Dakeya Christmas, Co-Chair; Danielle Kim, Clerk; Carolina Anzola; Kati Cabral (via phone)

Staff: Bea Cravatta; Omar Miranda

I. Call to order

Marlene calls the meeting to order at 6:36pm.

II. Approve Minutes of October 26, 2021

Dakeya motions to approve. Motion is approved unanimously.

Marlene asks Omar about the status of his Heritage Grant idea for a Music City. Omar explains that he's in discussion with Mimi Graney, businesses, and local musicians to promote more live music performances across Chelsea. Omar raises the importance of creating and curating a list of local musicians who are able and interested to perform. CCC members also discuss the importance of empowering local restaurants to pursue and secure their own performers.

III. Review of FY22 LCC Applications

The CCC has received 26 applications this year for LCC grants. The 26 applicants are requesting approximately \$67,000 total. The CCC has \$33,665 available for grantmaking this year. CCC members take turns presenting an overview of all 26 applications and reviewing each proposal in detail.

CCC members discuss the importance of collaboration and partnerships with entities in the City. In the application guidelines for next year, the CCC proposes including a note that grant funds can be used to support costs associated with permitting.

IV. Announcements

On December 13 at 6:30pm, CCC members will score each proposal and vote on funding amounts for each recommended project. Bea reminds CCC members that they can abstain from voting next week if they are closely connected to any of the applicants or projects.

Danielle and Carolina give an update on the Arts & Culture Coordination team. New members have been added to the team, and the next meeting will be December 15 at 3:00pm. Carolina is in communication with Marlene to send a letter to the Visioning Team members. The Arts & Culture Plan mentions bringing in additional volunteer reviewers and scorers to help assess applicants for the Heritage grant. This may apply to LCC as well. The CCC needs to make a decision in January about how to launch the Heritage grant application process. CCC members discuss that the tight timeline may make it challenging to launch a new review process this year.

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Bea announces that DesignWorks is coming to work on the City Hall Gallery by December 18. They will take down the old hardware. Bea and Omar are working to develop a regular schedule of installations for the City Hall Gallery space.

CCC is currently pausing the conversation on the Columbus statue replacement, and will reconnect with the Historical Commission in January 2022.

The Roca mural is complete and needs to submit the final report. The CCC is also still waiting on the final report from Black History Month.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:27pm.

Next Meeting: December 13 at 6:30pm.

Recorder: Danielle Kim

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