

Official Minutes of the City of Mount Rainier Arts Commission 09/19/2024, in-person Meeting

Call to Order

8:05 p.m.

APPROVED
10/16/2024

Presiding Member

John Deamond

Members Present

Deanna Noel

Rebecca Solow

Minutes provided by:

Deanna Noel

Reading of Agenda

The agenda was read by John Deamond and approved with the note that Megan Abbot would not be attending, but Becca would present her ideas

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes for:

- 08/07/2024

Moved by John Deamond

Seconded by Deanna Noel, Recorded: 3 yes - 0 no, Motion Passed

Two out of five members not in attendance, so not making major decisions.

Arts at the Gateway Farmers Market

Becca presented proposal to have an arts day at the farmers market, discussion of funding and getting artists

Becca will reach back out to Megan re: bringing artists to farmers market

Updates on ongoing projects (10 minutes)

- ***Station 3510 mural project***
Torie absent, so no news
- ***Artist registry/discussion with Gateway CDC***
No progress, waiting for response from Gateway CDC
- ***Email communications and Mailchimp***
Email account is accessible, being monitored by Becca. Mailchimp account is set up and first email is sent out with significant percentage of opens
- ***Art All Night***
John talked with Chantelle Stewart from Bladensburg DC Mainstreet/ DC Squared about needs, sent email to MRAC email list soliciting artists for event. Set stage for

more organized participation in future years.

Artist Social (15 minutes)

- ***Discussion of feedback and ideas from 8/28 artist social***
General agreement that artists brought up some good ideas, but most are not practical to implement currently. Lower attendance than first could be attributed to location, different outreach, or the understanding that there will be more
- ***Scheduling next social***
Proposed 10/23, finalizing later to include absent members
Becca will talk to Pennyroyal about using their space

Grants

Need to talk to city council about how to approach grants. At what point do we need their approval? Do they have any special considerations?

MSAC Public Art Grant (5 minutes)

John briefly described the grant availability and how it could be used strategically. The planning grant could be used for a Varnum St. project, with planning happening in 2025. Sending link to grant to other members.

Next meeting scheduling (4 minutes)

Scheduling later to include all members in the discussion

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.