



CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSION ON ARTS & LETTERS
VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
Thursday, February 10, 2022 – 7:00 PM

Members Participating:

Sophia Allen, Karla Brown, Wilmetta Toliver-Diallo, Cherise Harris, A'isha Hedges, Carol Jackson, Linda Jones, Richard Massey, Eleanor Mullin, Marian Reed, Winnie Sullivan, Nicole Thomas, John Tieman, Meg Zelenovich, Marcie Dear,

Also participating: Staff Liaison, Lynda Euell-Taylor, City Councilman Bwayne Smotherson

Meeting was called to order by Commission President, John Tieman at 7:04p.m.

Minutes: Approval of January minutes approved by Ms. Brown, 2nd by Ms. Dear. Approved by acclamation.

Citizens Comments: None

Treasurers Report: Ms. Sullivan reported the following for January 2022:

General Account (#290049999)	
Beginning Balance (12/31/2021)	\$9,267.16
Deposits	+0.00
Checks	-\$200.00
Withdrawals/Debits	-\$5.00
Ending Balance (1/31/2022)	\$9,062.16

Marvin Levy Fund (#293028706)	
Beginning Balance (12/31/2021)	\$19,687.22
Deposits	+0.79
Withdrawals/Checks	0.00
Ending Balance (1/31/2022)	\$19,688.01
Total in All Accounts	\$28,750.17

Motion to accept the treasurers report made by Ms. Mullin; seconded by Ms. Dear; approved by the acclamation.

Staff Liaison Report: Ms. Euell-Taylor

- Phase 2 – Operation of play

- New Centennial Commons operating hours
- Classes nor rentals have resumed at this time

Council Liaison Report: Councilman Bwayne Smotherson

- Exploration of collaboration with Washington University providing additional support for the St. Louis Black Repertory Theatre

Committee Reports:

- **Starlight Concert:** Mr. Massey
 - Four concerts in June 2022. Lady J, Latin band, Inner City Blues, Jean Jackson / Convertibles; Rain date in July 2022
 - September concert artists line up forthcoming
 - Zumba Event – April 9, 2022 at Brittany Woods Middle School, Noon – 2:00p.m.

- **Returning Artist:** Ms. Brown
 - Committee has not met.
 - Scott Black, UCHS Class of 1971– AZJazzArtists.com strong candidate for returning artist. Will be playing in Popular Bluff on the campus of Three Rivers College – April 7, 2022 7:00p.m.

- **Public Art:** Mr. Tieman
 - Project for installation for artwork in Heman Park on schedule
 - Ms. Sullivan requested fo updated proposal from Mehgan Kirkwood

- **Marketing:** Ms. Toliver-Diallo and Ms. Harris
 - Continuing to share information on commission social media platforms
 - Requested commissioners to like commission Facebook page
 - Proposed a spotlight on current commissioners to share on the Facebook page to gain more attention to the commission and the programs supported and presented by the commission
 - Ms. Harris request information to add to the commission website

- **Literary:** Ms. Sullivan
 - No updates
 - No activities due to covid-19
 - Consideration to resume planning for future events as Covid-19 cases decline. Will reach out to committee members

- **Finance:** Ms. Sullivan
 - Committee has not met
 - Available grants for commission to apply: Missouri Arts Council, RAC, etc.

- **Calendar Arts:** Ms. Reed
 - No updates.
 - Possible 2023 U City Hall of Fame. Working with SDUC to obtain photographs/collage

New Business: No new business

Old Business:

- Delmar sign project – Delmar & McKnight – See photo shared with commission
 - Commission to request professional quality draft to vote on final design of signage. Time table? Sign should read “University City” rather than “U-City” to be more in line with other signage throughout the City.
 - Definition of Work of Art – Mr. Tiem n and Ms. Sullivan will expand definition to present to commission for approval.
 - ❖ Recommendation to hold meeting o review information included the charter to be update

Announcements: No Announcements

Adjournment: Motion to end meeting by Ms. Jones; 2nd by Ms. Brown. Approved by acclamation at 8:10 p.m.