

# City of Northfield

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## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Monday, April 8, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

**Arts & Culture Commission**

## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

*The meeting was called to order by Chair Granquist at 6:02 pm.*

**Present:** 8 - Paula Granquist, Vice Chair Martha Anderson, Commissioner Leah Rich, Commissioner Kate Woodstrup, Commissioner Anna Lisa Rustad, Commissioner Carsten Walter, Commissioner Genevieve Tassava and Commissioner Michael Johnson

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Cecilia Barojas Velezquez and Commissioner Jade Dorantes

**ALSO PRESENT: Natalie Draper (Library Director and Staff Liaison) and Becky Novotny (Clerical Liaison).**

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the agenda for the April 8, 2024 meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Rich, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Rustad, Commissioner Walter, Commissioner Tassava and Commissioner Johnson

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Hughey

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**A motion was made by Commissioner Rustad, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2024 meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Rich, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Rustad, Commissioner Walter, Commissioner Tassava and Commissioner Johnson

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Hughey

1. Approval of the ACC March 11, 2024 Draft Minutes

**Attachments:** [ACC Minutes Mar. 11, 2024 DRAFT](#)

## PRESENTATIONS

*There were no presentations.*

## PUBLIC COMMENT

*There was no public comment.*

## REGULAR AGENDA

2. 2024 State of the City.

**Attachments:** [1 - 2024 State of the City address](#)  
[2 - 2024 State of the City Program](#)

*The Arts and Culture Commission discussed the State of the City address. Those that were unable to attend were encouraged to watch the video.*

3. Discuss Public Art Planning Process.

**Attachments:** [why-public-art-matters\\_final\\_web](#)  
[Hopkins\\_deaccession](#)  
[VancouverWA\\_deaccession](#)  
[RVA\\_gifts\\_memorials](#)

*Draper introduced the Public Art Planning Process item. The City is looking for input from the Commission on what threats to a successful public art program might exist. A discussion was had by the commission.*

## STAFF UPDATES

4. Staff Report on Public Art and Creative Placemaking.

**Attachments:** [Staff report](#)  
[ACC SEMAC Report April 2024](#)  
[2024-03 Northfield Poetry Newsletter March 2024.docx](#)  
[College and Water Street Areas Project](#)

*Draper said the Poet Laureate committee is meeting tomorrow. They will have an announcement of the next Poet Laureate soon. It has been about 5 years since the last call for poets for sidewalk poetry. The ACC might consider putting out a call for new poems to be considered for sidewalk imprints.*

## BOARD MEMBER AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS

*Chair Granquist said the Culture Crew will be presenting The Princess Bride on Thursday, April 11 at The Grand. Commissioner Woodstrup attended the National Art Education Association Conference and was able to meet artist Marlena Myles. Commissioner Johnson said The Matchmaker will be opening on April 19 at the Guild theater. The emerging artist program exhibit is up in the Arts Guild main gallery for the next week. Commissioner Woodstrup said Greenvale Park Elementary will have their evening of the arts show on April 11. Arts a la Carte and the high school seniors honors art show are coming up soon.*

## ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Commissioner Woodstrup, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Rich, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Rustad, Commissioner Walter, Commissioner Tassava and Commissioner Johnson