

City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, December 9, 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 6:01 p.m.

Present: 5 - Paula Granquist, Vice Chair Martha Anderson, Commissioner Kate Woodstrup, Commissioner Michael Johnson and Emerson Carlson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Leah Rich and Commissioner Anna Lisa Rustad

ALSO PRESENT: Natalie Draper (Library Director and Staff Liaison), Becky Novotny (Clerical Liaison), Franciso Murrillo (Library Staff) Kaia Markofski (Youth Representative), and Kyhla Theiling (Youth Representative).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Woodstrup, to approve the agenda for the December 9, 2024 meeting . The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Carlson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the October 14, 2024 Arts and Culture Commission Draft Minutes

Attachments: [ACC Minutes October 14, 2024 DRAFT](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Woodstrup, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2024 Arts and Culture Commission meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Carlson

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Public Art Review Committee (PARC) recommendation for 2025 Living Treasure Award.

Attachments: [Living Treasure Award Nomination Form Bob Gregory-Bjorklund1](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Woodstrup, to approve the recommendation of the Public Art Review Committee (PARC) for the 2025 Living Treasure. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Carlson

3. 2025 Living Treasure Award.

Attachments: [Living Treasure Award Nomination Form Bob Gregory-Bjorklund1](#)

Discussed having a celebration for the living treasure award, past winners willing to put that together. Honoring youth/encourage more emerging artist through an award similar to living treasure.

4. Discuss 2025 Schedule for ACC meetings.

Go to a bi-monthly meeting, so that the subcommittees can meet in between meetings. Library Board does this with success. Subcommittee would meet in same place, but not recorded. Students will be able to engage more and will be encouraged to participate in the subcommittee. Full meeting on odd months, subcommittee on even months starting 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Woodstrup, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the 2025 Arts and Culture Committee meeting schedule using the odd months for complete Arts and Culture Committee meetings and the even months for the subcommittee meetings. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Carlson

5. Provide Input for 2045 Comprehensive Plan.

Attachments: [Comp plan editing rubric](#)
[Text version of 2045 Comp Plan](#)

If there are any comments about the comp plan, send them to Natalie and she can pass them on. Anderson thinks that arts doesn't really have a role in the plan. The previous plan had a clearer goal of where it wanted the arts to go to. Woodstrup thinks that they have the same thoughts in developing NW part of Northfield, and maybe they could add examples of previous projects, so they can look back and use it going forward. Granquist appreciates the human aspects in the plan, they mention culture but not arts. There are areas where you can add the arts when it comes to making decisions. Northfield is an arts town and it should be more in the plan to speak it. Many examples of the arts, The Guild, Culture Crew, Artist on Main Street, and more.

6. Graffiti strategy.

Have a dedicated art space, like a mural that won't last forever. Maybe the tunnel, by high school, so that they aren't just tagging everywhere. The wall that is next to the liquor store is another good place to have as a shifting mural. The goal is to give outlets to those that tag art. The Guild will be having presenters to talk about street art, will also be streamed.

STAFF UPDATES

7. Staff Update.

Attachments: [Northfield Poetry Newsletter - DECEMBER \(1\)](#)

New art in city hall, Freedom Road. Have an opening so that people can come and see it. Have a point person for who the contact is for the artist, this is more about AOMS. The Guild is willing to help out more with being a contact person. This would help out the Guild more to be public facing.

BOARD MEMBER AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Granquist, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Woodstrup, Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Carlson