

McKINNEY ARTS COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

The McKinney Arts Commission of the City of McKinney, Texas met in special session in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on September 12, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Chair Linda Spina; Vice-Chair Hamilton Doak; Beth McGuire; Janet Farr; and Sherry Tucker-David. Commissioner Absent: Matthew Bado. Commissioner Elect Present: Pamela Harden.

Staff Present: City Liaison Aretha Adams; City Secretary Sandy Hart; and Arts Commission Secretary Mona Robinson.

Guests Present: Terry Copeland; Meridith McKinley and Todd Bressi of Via Partnership; Arts Advisory Members: Gail McLaughlin, Patricia Jackson, Jenny Baker, Guy Giersch, and Emily Braht.

Chair Spina called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m. after determining a quorum was present.

12-716 City Secretary Hart administered the oath of office to Pamela Harden.

12-717 Chair Spina called for Consideration/Discussion/Action on Recommendations to be Submitted to City Council for 2012-13 Art Grants Recipients and Other Projects, specifically the grant amount allocated to North Texas Chapter of American Theatre Organ Society (NTCATOS). Vice-Chair Doak discussed additional information he had reviewed related to maintenance of the organ at McKinney Performing Arts Center (MPAC), and the Arts Commissioners also discussed additional NTCATOS issues including attendance at their events, prior years' grant amounts awarded, in kind service expenses, maintenance issues/costs, and lack of NTCATOS fund raising activities. Commissioners unanimously approved the motion by Commissioner Tucker-David, seconded by Commissioner Hamilton Doak, to reduce the North Texas Chapter of American Theatre Organ Society grant amount from the previously approved amount of \$20,000 to \$17,000. Chair Spina opened a discussion related to the allotment of the remaining

\$3,000 following the reduction of the NTCATOS grant, and she suggested using this amount as “seed” money to persuade non-profit groups to come to McKinney for an activity. Commissioner Tucker-David felt this would be an excellent marketing tool for the Arts Commission to encourage groups to come to McKinney to provide cultural offerings which the currently funded groups are not bringing to the city. City Liaison Adams stated the Arts Commission must lay out an organized process, format, and requirements for the use of the “arts outreach” monies when the Arts Commission makes the allotment of funds presentation to the City Council on October 2, 2012. Commissioners unanimously approved the motion by Vice-Chair Doak, seconded by Commissioner McGuire, to approve adding \$3,000 for “arts outreach” to the list of McKinney Arts Commission fund allotments.

12-718 Chair Spina called for discussion on the Public Art Master Plan Development. Meredith McKinley began a discussion with the Advisory Committee, and Todd Bressi provided a brief overview of what Via Partnership is trying to accomplish in assisting the City of McKinney develop a Master Art Plan for Public Art. Details and anticipated outcome of the “Imagine Art Here” workshop to be held at MPAC on October 27, 2012 were discussed.

Commissioners unanimously approved the motion by Tucker-David, seconded by Vice-Chair Doak, to adjourn. Chair Spina adjourned the meeting at 10:29 a.m.

LINDA SPINA
Chair