

Arts, Culture & Libraries Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: October 21, 2013

Convened: 3:01 p.m.

Adjourned: 4:27 p.m.

Members Present:

Philip T. Kingston, Chair
Monica R. Alonzo, Vice Chair
Jerry R. Allen
Carolyn R. Davis
Jennifer Staubach Gates

Members Absent:

Vonciel Jones Hill

Briefing Presenters

Glenda Kemple
*Vice President of Community
Outreach, Dallas Summer Musicals*
Maria Munoz-Blanco
Director, Office of Cultural Affairs

Staff Present:

Joey Zapata, Maria Munoz-Blanco, David Fisher, Benjamin Espino, Don Knight, Jo Giudice, Kay Kallos, Rafael Tamayo, Marty Van Kleeck, Les Studdard, Eric Izuora

Special Guests:

Glenda Kemple, Tracy Jordan, Steve Watson

AGENDA:

1. **Approval of September 16, 2013 Minutes**

Presenter(s):

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 16, 2013

Motion made by: Jerry R. Allen

Motion seconded by: Jennifer Staubach Gates

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. **Dallas Summer Musicals**

Presenter(s): Glenda Kemple

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing was made to update the committee on the operations of Dallas Summer Musicals, and to provide an overview of the upcoming season.

3. **Office of Cultural Affairs Overview**

Presenter(s): Maria Munoz-Blanco

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing updated the committee with information about the operations of the Office of Cultural Affairs.

Ms. Davis and Ms. Gates requested a way to get more information about culture centers and events to constituents. Ms. Davis requested the production of a map that shows cultural centers. Ms. Alonzo requested to know what can be done to have the cultural centers open seven days a week.

Committee members raised questions relating to the transparency and fairness of the process for funding arts groups and expressed the desire for a strategic way to fund the arts.

The Chair requested in electronic format: backup documents for all of the data points in the presentation; a breakdown by facility of expenditures and revenues, and long term maintenance or capital plans; dept. budget and any staff recommendations; all contracts with groups, management companies, and facility managers.

The Chair thanked Ms. Munoz-Blanco for the update.

4. **Upcoming Agenda Items – Cultural Services Contracts**

Presenter(s):

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion was made to move the item to full council.

Motion made by: Monica R. Alonzo

Motion seconded by: Carolyn R. Davis

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

Councilmember Philip T. Kingston
Chair