

MINUTES

Seattle Music Commission Meeting

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 12:15 – 2:00 p.m.

Seattle City Hall, Boards & Commission Room L280

Commissioners Present:

Adrian Burton, Wyking Garrett, Holly Hinton, Alex Kochan, Tim Lennon, Ben London, Tom Mara, John Roderick, Patty Isacson Sabee, Joan Sadler, Jon Stone, Reese Tanimura, Nadine Zgonc

Commissioners Absent:

Ricardo Frazer, Megan Jasper, DeVon Manier, Jody McKinley, Nicole Jon Sievers, Karen P. Thomas, Marcus Womack, Hollis Wong-Wear

SMC Staff Present:

Kate Becker, Mikhael Mei Williams, Taylor Scaggs

Call to Order:

The third meeting of the SMC was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Patty Isacson Sabee

Public Comment:

- No public comments

Charter Commissioners – Final Meeting

- City Councilmember *Lisa Herbold*, *Legislative Aide Newell Aldrich*, and former Councilmember *Nick Licata* were invited to attend the final Commission meeting with founding Charter Members
 - Licata, Herbold, and Aldrich were three individuals who championed the formation of the Office of Film + Music + Special Events and the Music Commission; they praised the Commission for their role in elevating to the Mayor and City Council the importance of Seattle’s music industry in our local economy; and their work with youth and youth education
 - Councilmember Herbold urged the Music Commission to always be diligent in letting City Council know when legislation that is being passed is adversely affecting the music industry, and to be bold bringing things to the table at the CRUEDA meetings - encouraging members to test the pulse of different council members, and use CRUEDA meetings as a place to build for things the commission is working on
- Charter Commissioners were given a chance to reflect on their role in the formation of the Commission and their time on it serving the local music community.
 - Parting commissioners highlighted the positive work the Commission has done with youth and youth education, and encouraged the group to keep forging ahead with that at the core of the work the commission undertakes
 - It was also strongly encouraged to always diligent in looking outside of our immediate circles and to take into consideration groups and communities that we do not normally interact with, or do not normally think to include

Regular Commission Business

- Minutes from the April 20, 2016 Music Commission were unanimously approved

2016 Workplan Progress

Executive Committee

- Update: New SMC legislation + succession plan for nine Charter Commissioners terming out in 2016
 - The new legislation is currently moving through City Council. Kate and Mikhael are confirmed to present it to City Council CRUEDA committee for a vote on July 12th
 - Paperwork for the 9 nominations and 3 reappointments is currently in progress
 - 9 candidates are currently moving through the Mayor's Office and City Council and are tentatively scheduled to be presented at City Council on July 12th and July 26th
- New Emeritus Commissioner Program
 - Charter Commission members will remain on distribution lists for subcommittee and full commission meeting minutes; an agenda item will be added to all committee meetings to discuss options to engage Emeritus members
 - Emeritus Members may also be asked to represent the Music Commission at events
 - Emeritus Members will also serve as mentors for incoming commissioners – get them up to speed, check in with them before or after committee meetings, generally be available to help orient new Commission members
 - If interested in participating as an Emeritus Commission Member please contact Jon Stone or Holly Hinton
- SMC Budget Issue Paper (BIP) submitted
 - The Music Commission is asking for \$50,000 next year – council has until Thanksgiving to approve this budget; budget allocated around target initiatives/strategic goals of Commission
 - We think this is the first time a commission has submitted a budget request

Advocacy + Economic Development

- Development / Affordability / Preservation (DAP)
 - A+ED met with OED's David Harris in April to talk about his work with the convergence of music and tech industries
 - In July A+ED will have a visit from the Start Up Weekend Music organizers to talk about the lessons learned from the event and opportunities for the commission to engage with this program
 - Commercial Affordability Task Force – Megan Jasper is representing SMC on committee; so far the committee has discussed broad strokes on the issues that are affecting the industries and community in general; at the next meeting they'll be discussing possible solutions and by September the committee plan to announce its comprehensive list of recommendations
 - Nightlife Update
 - OFMSE has organized 2 active shooter prevention trainings for nightlife and special events producers in the wake of the shooting in Orlando; these events will take place from 3 to 5 pm on June 20 and 21 at the Cloud Room
 - There have been issues around Musician Parking signs but they are scheduled for [Shortly after the meeting the issues were remedied, and the signs are installed]

Youth + Community

- Career Day Roadshows: April 28th @ Foster High School in Tukwila
 - Organizers reached out to Ricardo Frazer to speak at the event; Reese Tanimura and Johnathan Cunningham attended and hosted 4 sessions, reaching approximately 80 students

- The event highlighted the importance of community outreach and engagement with underserved communities. Not everyone knows about the opportunities and resources that are available.
- Strong outreach should be planned to encourage greater participation in City of Music Career Day event; focusing on solving the transportation issue and costs that are access barriers for communities further outside of immediate downtown area.
- City of Music @ Seafair
 - Torchlight Parade Plan is still in the works
 - John Roderick has volunteered to do stage announcements at the Seafair July 4th event; Nicole Jon Sievers will do it at Seafair Weekend; Mikhael is working on talking points for these events

Mayor Ed Murray acknowledges the Charter Commissioners

- Mayor Murray was invited to attend the final Commission meeting with founding Charter Members and presented each with a Recognition of Service Award to thank them for their great work on the Commission

Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm

Future Music Commission Regular Meetings:

- **Wednesday, September 16, 2015**
- **Wednesday, November 18, 2015**