



Lowell Cultural Council

Meeting Minutes

July 26, 2022

Attending: Britton Boughner; Erin Duffey (Administrator); Stephanie Call; Beth Noel; Kshitij Karke (KK); Jerry Bisantz; Olu Ibrahim; Timmy Al-Muntafik (attending as a private citizen); Peter Crewe (Director of Cultural Affairs and Special Events)

Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.

1. 6:46 - Logo:
 - o Concerns about shrinking the logo down were the thought process behind removing the smaller symbols in the logo
 - o We will discuss the logo on next month's agenda
2. 6:51 - Mural Permits for review and signature:
 - o Peter has been called over to the City Council meeting right now and will come by later
 - o Mural permit rendering will be sent later
 - o In case the content is offensive we don't have to sign off on it
 - o Erin will send the Mural ordinance out to the committee later
 - o As a council, we could ask to be involved with the process
3. 7:09 - Treasurer discussion:
 - o Olu can only be interim treasurer until August
 - o Usually takes 1 day to plan the cutoff for our scoring, and working with the Auditor
 - o Applications have been put in for the cultural council by 2 new members
4. 7:19 - Peter:
 - o The first round of art of murals is coming up (ArtUp Lowell)
 - o 3 signoffs to ensure the context of public acceptance and safety
 - o 3 Murals are ready for review
 - o Cultural Council approves of the mural
 - o The way the ordinance is set up is not designed for the LCC to get involved more than approval, these murals are made on private property
 - o 3 local artists were on the committee and any Lowell private citizen could have made submissions to present their work. The artists chosen had some connections to the Merrimack valley
 - o Erin will send out the next renderings through email and will request someone to stop by and sign off after approval
5. 7:39 - General Grant Discussion:
 - o Jerry got the Nancy Donahue Theater and another location, Jerry will put in writing for changing venue for the Latino film festival events
 - o KK will get the funding priority data to be compiled

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

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