

# NASHUA ARTS COMMISSION

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## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE NASHUA ARTS COMMISSION

May 12, 2020

City Hall Auditorium

**Members in attendance via Zoom:** Lindsay Rinaldi, Jennifer Annand, Sara Caesar, Judy Carlson, John Egan, Tina Cassidy, Paul LaFlamme, Marc Thayer

**Absent:**

**Also present:** Amy DeRoche NAC Admin, Elizabeth Lu Aldermanic Liaison, Steve Ruddock, Travis Tripodi

Called to order: 8:02 am

1. **Minutes:** Motion was made by John and seconded by Jenn to approve the March minutes. Motion carries
2. **Communication:** None
3. **Old Business:**

**Grants:** Lindsay has received inquiries from grantees asking for direction on what to do with the money they were awarded now that some projects have been delayed or canceled due to COVID19. They want to make sure they are using the money appropriately.

Discussion was held to provide direction for funds that have already been distributed.

\***Motion** was made by Judy and seconded by Jenn to allow grantees to either earmark the funds until the next time the project can occur OR allow the funding they have received to be transferred to COVID19 relief funds to be used as needed at the discretion of the organization. If they choose to transfer to COVID 19 relief they must share with the NAC Grant Working Group how they plan to use the funds by June 1st. Motion Carries

The Grant Working Group will draft communication to be distributed.

\***Motion** was made by Marc and seconded by Judy to allow organizations who choose to use the funds already received for COVID 19 relief, to maintain their eligibility to apply for the next grant cycle. Motion carries.

**Working Groups:**

Arts & Culture Plan: They will try and have a meeting in the coming weeks.

PAC Steering Committee: Modifications by the architect were approved. The capital campaign committee is still talking with donors and applying for foundation grants.

**Public Comment:** There needs to be a decision on what to do with the remaining \$3K in the budget.

Discussion was held to provide direction for funds that have not been distributed.

\*Motion was made by Marc and seconded by Paul to give the remaining \$3K to the City of Nashua's COVID19 Community impact fund with the following criteria:

- Funds must go to arts organizations in Nashua

- Funds to be distributed in 6 - \$500 grants

- Priority should be placed, but not limited to organizations who have not received funds this year.

Motion carries.

\*Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Lindsay to adjourn. Motions carries 10:15 am