



**LIBERTY ARTS COMMISSION  
MEETING AGENDA  
August 8, 2019**

**6:00 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, City Hall**

Attendance: Jane Boswell, Greg Duncan, Katie McDonald, Shane Immelt, Heather Jones, Anna Knackstedt, Aaron Money, Amy Steinbeck, Bill Stilfield, Nathan Wyman, Phil Young

**I. Approval of Meeting Summary:** July 11, 2019

**II. Current Business**

**Annual Grant – Jazz Performance Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>** City Staff

**Sculptures-** City Staff  
Purchases, Placement

**Bed Tax-** Anna  
Draft Budget - Requests due Aug 14<sup>th</sup> City Staff

**Public Art Update-**  
Exhibits

**III. Other Business**

Art Partner Reports:  
Liberty Arts Foundation Greg/Heather/Shane  
William Jewell Nathan  
Corbin Theatre Jane  
Liberty Public Schools Aaron

**New Business:**

Commission Contact Info Form/Manual Shane  
Visiting Artist Welcome Packet Shane  
Murals Shane  
LAC Planning Committee Update Shane

**IV. Adjournment**

**Next Meeting: Sept. 12, 2019 at City Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conf. Rm**

The Liberty Arts Commission is the arts advocacy agency for the City of Liberty. We serve as a catalyst – to support, sustain, and strengthen our community by increasing awareness, opportunities, and public involvement in local arts and cultural activities.

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## Liberty Arts Commission Meeting Summary

July 11, 2019

**Present were Commissioners:** Aaron Money, Heather Jones, Jane Boswell, Shane Immelt, Katie McDonald, Bill Stilfield, Phil Young

**Absent:** Greg Duncan, Anna Knackstedt and Nathan Wyman

Jeanine Thill, Community Development Manager represented City Staff.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Immelt.

Motion to approve the meeting summary from June 13, 2019 by Commissioner Money, the motion was seconded by Commissioner McDonald. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Make Music Day – Commissioner Stilfield reported we had rain both days of the event however he didn't feel that the rain had a negative impact due to the fact that it rained before and after the event. Saturday morning we started at 7 am to co-inside with the Farmers Market and by 10am the rain stopped and it was clear the rest of the day. It wasn't as hot as previous years. 43 artists preformed 17 venues, 64 performances. Based on the feedback this was probably the strongest talent we've had so far. Norterre and Conrad's, North and South Sides of the Courthouse Square were all new venues this year. We had the wrap up meeting yesterday. Next year the event will be on Sunday, June 21 which is Fathers' Day.

Annual Grant- Commissioner Stilfield will be making a presentation to the Corbin audience tonight about the annual grant recipient event "Bringing Legends to Life" scheduled for August 23 at the Liberty Performing Arts Theatre. Four of the artists that will be featured at the Jazz event in August will be performing from 7-9 tonight at the Corbin Theatre. If you tag the Corbin Theatre when you purchase the tickets, they will get a percentage of the ticket sales.

Sculptures – Commissioner McDonald reported that the Library is talking to the artist Leslie Tharp to possibly purchase and commission sculptures for their facilities. Nothing has been confirmed or finalized. Commissioner Money reported that the Liberty Education Foundation will be purchasing Treble Clef sculpture for the new Performing Arts Wing at Liberty High School. He will work with the artist and City Staff on logistics of moving the sculpture.

Bed Tax- Ms. Thill reported that the committee met today and were doing budget forecasting. Our budget requests should be discussed next month at the LAC meeting.

### Other Business

#### Art Partners:

**School District-** Commissioner Money reported its quite now but next week band camp starts.

**Corbin Theatre-** Commissioner Stilfield said Poetry and More on the Square will be August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Library is now being publicized. The location needs to be corrected on the City's publicity. Staff will follow up.

Commissioner Young reported that he has a book about some of his experiences in Western Kansas. He plans to give a copy to the City. The books will be available the first part of August.

Commissioner Young also reported that he attended the Juneteenth event, which attracts a lot of people who have the same interests as the Arts Commission. We may want to consider having a table next year.

No report from the Foundation, they haven't met.

Chairman Immelt said he would like to have the Commission think about short and long term planning for the LAC. He would like to see it include a growth plan for one, three and five years out. He is working with Commissioner McDonald and City Staff on guidelines for a commission handbook. It will be more developed than the last manual. This will be helpful especially for those new to the Commission. He circulated contact sheets and asked that they be turned in as soon as possible.

Murals- Chairman Immelt said that the Missouri Street underpass was once discussed as a site for a mural. He would like for the Commission to think about this as a possibility for a LAC project. He told the commission about JR, an artist from Europe that does photographic campaigns of people in a city and prints it on a special paper that could be placed on buildings. Maybe this could be considered for the underpass. Commissioner Money said there is a teacher at LPS that is interested in doing murals. It might be a good partnership. Chairman Immelt has friends with the Railroad and will begin exploring this as a possibility.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Young, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Stilfield. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Next Meeting: August 8, 2019 at City Hall.