

SUNNYSIDE ARTS COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2014 6:00 P.M.

**Sunnyside City Hall Conference Room
818 East Edison Avenue, Sunnyside, Washington**

INAUGURAL MEETING – 6:00 P.M.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Fannin, Restucci, Walker, Mendoza, Chevey-Reyraud, Rogers, Ganzer, Martin

Absent: none

Staff Present: Dave Layden

1. Meeting called to order by Interim Chairman John Fannin.
2. Role Call taken with introductions of the members
3. Members in attendance: John Fannin, Deleesa Restucci, Bruce Walker, Debbie Mendoza, David Chavey-Reyraud, Kathy Rogers, Leroy Ganzer and City Councilmember Spencer Martin. City staff member David Layden was present.
4. Selection of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson: John Fannin elected Chair and Deleesa Restucci elected Vice Chairperson.
5. Appointment of Rules & Procedures Task force: Restucci, Ganzer and Rogers.
6. Establishment of a database of individuals people involved in creative fields – Created a subcommittee with rotating membership. Initial members are Chavez-Reynaud, Walker and Fannin.
7. Discussion by members included:
 - City Councilmember Martin talked about the Mayor's Challenge Coin that would be awarded to citizens for outstanding service to the City. Martin said the coin would need to be designed.
 - Martin also talked about applying the Loving Sunnyside initiative to the downtown area as a way to spur the beautification of the area.
 - Restucci suggested a penny press for commemorative coin using the bronze statues located throughout the city as a way to raise money for the commission's activities.
 - Commission members discussed having a Citywide theme Rogers mentioned a possible Southwest theme.
 - Mendoza said she would like to have the Arts Commission promote community theater in Sunnyside.
 - Fannin discussed art walks and others talked about similar events to promote art in the city.
 - Chavey-Reynaud said he would like to see more live music concerts in the city. The suggestion was made to have the high school band play at the farmers market.
 - Layden gave a short presentation on the Mayor's Avenues of Art program developed in his previous municipality and also gave a short update on the Neon Alley project. He said the City currently does not have funding for either project.
8. Commission members agreed to meet again on May 28th at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Executive Conference Room.
9. Meeting adjourned at ??? p.m.