

October 27, 2020 Special Meeting - Joint Study Session with Arts Commission Minutes  
Approved: November 10, 2020

**City of Covington  
City Council Special Meeting  
Joint Study Session with Arts Commission Minutes  
Tuesday, October 27, 2020**

***NOTE:*** *This City Council meeting was held in accordance with RCW 42.30.070. This meeting was held telephonically and virtually to comply with Governor Inslee's Proclamation 20-28 (as amended and extended), which, among other things, suspended various requirements under the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and prohibited public agencies from conducting meetings in person through November 9, 2020.*

The Special Meeting - Joint Study Session with the Arts Commission was called to order Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Wagner, Joe Cimaomo, Jennifer Harjehausen, Jared Koukal, Elizabeth Porter, Kristina Soltys, and Sean Smith.

**ARTS COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Marita Ledesma, Marrina Vaessen, Lillianna Fernandez, Jessica Breeden, and Patti Melton.

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

Cindy Bell and Jessica Breeden.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Pat Patterson, Recreation and Cultural Arts Manager; Mayson Morrissey, Information Technology Manager (in person); and Krista Bates, Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

All attendees present via Zoom except as noted.

Mayor Wagner called the joint study session to order.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

1. Student Art Show
2. Utility Box Wraps
3. Signature Art Piece
4. Rotating Art Program
5. Virtual Social Ideas
6. Economic Impact of Arts

Chair Marita Ledesma reported on the student art show, utility box wraps, signature art piece, second round of arts wraps, rotating art program, and virtual art contest.

Patti Melton reported on arts in education and community engagement.

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Marrina Vaessen and Lilianna Fernandez spoke regarding why art is important to them.

Councilmembers provided comments and feedback.

Marita spoke on the economic impact of arts.

Councilmembers and commissioners discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



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Joan Michaud  
City Clerk