1. Welcome and Call to Order

Commission Chair Semmel welcomed Commissioners and Guest Anne Wengrovitz (Arlington Philharmonic Associates). The regular meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts was called to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from the March 28, 2018 regular meeting was made by Commissioner Goler and seconded by Commissioner Dietz-Chavez. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Chair’s Report

- Chair Semmel referred to official correspondence that had been sent to the County Board on behalf of the Arts Commission, including the 2017 Arts Commission Annual Report, letter in support of Arlington Independent Media (AIM) and letter in support of the Draft Policy Framework for 4MRV. She also discussed the Arts Commission’s presentation at the County Board Budget Worksession where both the Arts Commission and EDC recommended funding the Challenge Grant Program in FY 2019.
- Chair Semmel also reported on her meeting with County Board Liaison Erik Gutshall where she discussed the Commission’s community outreach related to the Enriching Lives Arts and Culture Strategy.
- Semmel asked Commissioners Worden and Velazquez to report on the April 2 meeting held by County Board members Katie Cristol and John Vihstadt and other County Advisory Group leaders to strengthen collaboration between Commissions. Worden and Velazquez expressed that the meeting was well run and a good opportunity for networking with other Commissioners.

4. Marketing the Arts

- CAD Marketing Director Jim Byers presented information on how CAD markets performances and events of Arlington artists and arts organizations (see Attachment 1).
5. Cultural Affairs Division Chief’s Report
   • Director Isabelle-Stark provided an activity report for CAD (see Attachment 2).

6. Grants Committee Report
   • Commissioner Velazquez represented the Grants Committee in Commissioner Patch’s absence, provided an overview of the Grants Day process (see Attachment 3) and presented the Committee’s recommendations (see Attachment 4).

   Motion made to accept the recommendations of the Grants Committee for FY 2019 Arts Grants was made by Commissioner Goler and seconded by Commissioner Sarli. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Public Art Committee
   • After reviewing his credentials, Commissioner Hensley requested that the Commission consider the appointment of Doug Plowman as a community member to Public Art Committee.

   Motion made to appoint Doug Plowman to the PAC was made by Commissioner Sarli and seconded by Commissioner Velazquez. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Strategy Committee Report
   • Commissioner Semmel reported that she is considering a realignment of the Strategy Committee now that the focus of the effort is outreach and implementation of the Enriching Lives Strategy.

9. Arts and Diversity Committee
   • Commissioner Dietz-Chavez reported that the Committee will have a mission statement for the Commission to consider at its meeting in May.

10. Cultural Facilities Task Force
    • Commissioner Sarli reported that the Task Force has met and developed a draft Vision Statement and is working on creating guiding principles that will achieve the vision.

11. Update on Local Projects
    • Youth Project – No Report.
    • Four Mile Run Valley Plan—Vice Chair Worden informed the Commission that the Draft Policy Framework of the 4MRV Plan will come before the Planning Commission on May 9.
    • Master Spaces Working Plan (POPS) – Commissioner Sarli reported a future workshop on the topic of privately owned public spaces.

12. Old Business
    • None

13. New Business
• Commissioner Carlson provided information on the May 12 opening of the new Fred Schnider Gallery located at 888 N. Quincy St.

• Commissioner Velazquez requested that “Arts Goings-on” continue to be part of the Commission’s agenda.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.