

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Carson City Cultural Commission**  
**Monday, November 26, 2018 ● 5:30 PM**  
**Community Center Sierra Room**  
**851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada**

**Commission Members**

<b>Chair – Terri McBride</b>	<b>Vice Chair – Barbara D’Anneo</b>
<b>Commissioner – Karen Abowd</b>	<b>Commissioner – Elinor Bugli</b>
<b>Commissioner – Christopher Leyva</b>	<b>Commissioner – Mylo McCormick</b>
<b>Commissioner – Lupe Ramirez</b>	

**Staff**

Mark Salinas, Arts and Culture Coordinator  
Ben Johnson, Deputy District Attorney  
Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk

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**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM.**

(5:38:57) – Chairperson McBride called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. and apologized for the late start since the previous meeting had ended late. Roll was called and a quorum was present.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Terri McBride, Chair	Present	
Barbara D’Anneo, Vice Chair	Present	
Karen Abowd	Present	
Elinor Bugli	Present	
Christopher Leyva	Present	
Mylo McCormick	Present	
Lupe Ramirez	Present	

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION**

(5:39:57) – Chairperson McBride entertained public comments. Myron Freedman, director of the Nevada State Museum thanked the Cultural Commission, Western Nevada College (WNC), and Commissioner Ramirez of Latino Cohort, Mr. Salinas, and several local businesses for a successful Day of the Dead celebration on November 2 and 3, 2018. Mr. Freedman noted that over 1,000 people had attended the event. Chairperson McBride thanked Mr. Freedman “for opening up the museum for free for those two days for families to attend”. Commissioner Ramirez also thanked Mr. Freedman for his partnership with WNC and noted that the students had a great time serving the community.

(5:42:20) – David Peterson introduced himself as the newly-selected executive director of the Carson City Culture and Tourism Authority and stated that he looked forward to working with the Commission. Mr. Peterson noted that he was currently serving as the interim director at the Nevada Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs.

(5:43:40) – Michael Smith distributed a flyer, incorporated into the record, and introduced himself as the coordinator for Ideas On Tap, a series of monthly interactive conversations, at times relevant to Carson City, between an audience of 25 and 30 individuals. Mr. Smith referenced the dates on the flyer and invited the Commissioners to attend the discussions at the Union (302 N. Carson Street). Chairperson McBride was informed that those under the age of 21 years old are welcome to attend.

**3. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 CCCC MEETINGS.**

(5:47:10) – Chairperson McBride entertained comments or corrections to the September 10, 2018 meeting minutes, and when none were forthcoming, a motion.

**(5:47:22) – MOTION: I move to approve the September 10, 2018 Cultural Commission meeting minutes as presented.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (7-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Abowd
<b>SECONDER:</b>	D’Anneo
<b>AYES:</b>	McBride, D’Anneo, Abowd, Bugli, Leyva, McCormick, Ramirez
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None

**4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

(5:47:45) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item and Mr. Salinas stated that item 5B will be removed from the agenda for now and noted that he would speak about the item in his report.

**5. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY ITEMS**

**5.a FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: INTRODUCTION OF CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSIONERS MYLO MCCORMICK AND CHRISTOPHER LEYVA AS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON OCTOBER 4, 2018.**

(5:48:25) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas gave background and introduced the newly-appointed commissioners. He also noted that 60 percent of the applicants had been between the ages of 18 and 25. Commissioner McCormick explained that he was a current student at WNC and a local musician who had performed in 200-300 local concerts, and that he was very excited to serve on the Commission. Commissioner Leyva also introduced himself as “someone who is part of the Native population here, in Carson City” and noted that he was employed by the Washoe Tribe. He also expressed excitement to be a part of the Commission. Mr. Salinas highlighted the fact that Carson City had the two youngest Cultural Commissioners in the State of Nevada.

**5.b FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: INTRODUCTION OF CARSON HIGH STUDENT JAZLYN DURAN AND HER CARSON HIGH SENIOR PROJECT.**

This item was removed from the agenda for now.

**5.c FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: PRESENTATION BY KIM HARRIS, EVENTS MANAGER AT DANGBERG HOME RANCH HISTORIC PARK, OF THE ORGANIZATION'S HISTORY AND UPCOMING EVENTS.**

(5:51:44) – Dangberg Home Ranch Historic Park Events Manager Kim Harris gave background and presented a pictorial overview, incorporated into the record, of the ranch history, the Dangberg Family and their relationship with the Ferris family in Carson City, and their influence in the Carson City/Carson Valley area. There were no public comments.

**5.d FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: PRESENTATION OF THE CULTURAL COMMISSION'S 2019 DRAFT MEETING SCHEDULE AND CONTENT.**

(6:05:34) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas presented the proposed 2019 Cultural Commission meeting schedule with possible agenda topics which is incorporated into the record, and reviewed the listed upcoming art and culture events. Commissioner Ramirez offered to lead a mother's day event and Commissioner Bugli was pleased to see agenda outlines.

**5.e FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: ARTS & CULTURE COORDINATOR REPORT.**

(6:16:37) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Mr. Salinas reviewed his presentation, incorporated into the record, and responded to clarifying questions by the commissioners. The commissioners thanked Mr. Salinas. There were no public comments.

**5.f FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS.**

(6:43:22) – Chairperson McBride introduced the item. Commissioner Ramirez wished to discuss her previous suggestion of having a community-wide Mothers' Day event similar to the Día de los Muertos celebration earlier in the year. She noted that Mothers' Day is "a huge celebration in Mexico", and advised involving the Latino community. Chairperson McBride suggested working with Mr. Salinas to explore the possibility of receiving Redevelopment Authority Citizens Committee (RACC) funding.

(6:46:08) – Commissioner Abowd announced that the Greenhouse Project had begun its campaign for the 2019 flower basket sponsorships to beautify the community. She stressed the importance of the sponsorships because the cost of watering the baskets alone was \$11,000.

(6:47:27) – Chairperson McBride believed that the Commission should start the process in 2019 of securing funding for Mr. Salinas' position and for the arts, since the funding would run out in 2020. Vice Chair D'Anneo wished to look into becoming more self-sustaining by garnering financial support from business champions. Chairperson McBride believed that a baseline support should come from the local government also. Discussion ensued regarding changing budgets and Commissioner Abowd was in favor of creating opportunities for fund matches.

(6:53:24) – Commissioner Bugli announced the following events: the Mile High Jazz Band's quarterly jazz and poetry event on December 11, 2019 at Comma Coffee; the Arts and Culture Coalition's meeting at 2:30 p.m. on November 27, 2018; and the Carson City Symphony Association's upcoming seven events in the next two weeks.

(6:56:13) – Commissioner Ramirez announced the second annual WNC Posada Celebration “for the families to get into the Christmas spirit” on December 15, 2018, noting that the event would include food, tours, folkloric dancing, and piñatas in addition to promoting educational opportunities.

(6:57:06) – Vice Chair D’Anneo announced that the Commission should recognize Carson City resident, author, musician, and mathematician Robert Leonard Reid who had been inducted in the *Nevada Writers Hall of Fame*.

**5.g FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.**

(6:58:25) – Mr. Salinas referenced agenda item 5.d and stated that he did not have anything to add to the calendar yet.

**5.h FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS.**

(6:58:45) – Chairperson McBride noted that the Commission’s next meeting was scheduled for January 14, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Sierra Room of the Community Center.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION (THREE MINUTE TIME LIMIT)**

(6:59:27) – James Salanoa, Carson City Culture and Tourism Authority Special Events Manager, offered his assistance to Commissioner Ramirez regarding her proposed Mothers’ Day event “because it falls in line with our mission to promote culture, specifically in Carson City”.

(7:00:45) – Malaynia Wick introduced herself as an art teacher at Dayton High School and congratulated Commissioner McCormick, her former student. She also proposed creating “our own little [art] district” similar to Seattle.

(7:02:15) – Stevi Goletto noted that she was representing the WNC art gallery and invited everyone to a new art exhibit called “Under the Skin Tattoo Art” which would run until December 17, 2018.

(7:03:44) – Vice Chair D’Anneo wished everyone “a safe, joyous, happy, and peaceful holiday season” on behalf of the Commission and Mr. Salinas.

**7. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO ADJOURN.**

(7:04:09) – Chairperson McBride entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Abowd and seconded by Commissioner Ramirez. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

The Minutes of the November 26, 2018 Carson City Cultural Commission meeting are so approved this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2019.

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TERRI MCBRIDE, Chair