



# METRO ARTS

NASHVILLE OFFICE OF ARTS + CULTURE

## **Metro Arts Commission**

Minutes of the Commission Meeting

December 17, 2020

**This meeting took place via teleconference.**

A recording of the meeting can be viewed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z9Fy-PkyT-E>

Attending Commissioners: Jim Schmidt (Chair), Matia Powell (Vice Chair), Will Cheek (Sec. /Treasurer), Jane Alvis, Marianne Byrd, Sheri Nichols Bucy, Bonnie Dow, Marielena Ramos, Paula Roberts, Hope Stringer, Campbell West

Absent Commissioners: Will Cheek, Jackie Daniel, Marcus Whitney

Staff: Caroline Vincent, Grace Wright

Guests: Derrick Smith (Metro Legal), Charda Johnson (Metro ITS)

### **METRO ARTS MISSION:**

**Drive an Equitable and Vibrant Community through the Arts**

#### **A. Call to Order & Welcome**

Chair Jim Schmidt called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

#### **B. Vote on Governor's Executive Order No. 65**

***A motion that the meeting agenda constitutes essential business of this body and meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans considering the COVID-19 outbreak and is permitted under the Governor's Executive Order number 65 was offered by Commissioner Dow and Commissioner Alvis seconded the motion.***

Chair Schmidt asked for any additional comments.

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative.

### **C. Action Items**

#### **1. CARES Act Funding Allocations**

Caroline Vincent gave an update on previously approved CARES Act applications in process and introduced new applications for approval.

Chair Schmidt asked Staff if there was any public comment. There was not.

Chair Schmidt closed public comment for this agenda item.

Chair Schmidt confirmed that there were no conflicts of interest and opened the request to discussion among the Commissioners.

***A motion to approve the proposed CARES Act funding allocations was offered by Commissioner Haynes and Commissioner Ramos seconded.***

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative.

Given the remaining CARES Act funds, the Chair with support from the Commission decided to call a Specially Called Meeting to make sure there were no additional applications for review. Staff committed to checking with Pathway Lending for their deadline and setting a meeting compatible with that.

### **D. Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:43 p.m.