

# **Canton, Georgia**

*110 Academy Street  
Canton, Georgia 30114*



## **Minutes - Final - Final**

**Wednesday, August 18, 2021**

**5:30 PM**

**Canton Theatre  
171 East Main Street**

**Cultural Arts Commission**

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

*Present were Rob Walker-Bunda, Elaine Federico, Teresa Shampine and Haley Whyte. Also present were Councilmember Schmidt and Kristin Norton.*

**2. Approval of the Minutes****A. Cultural Arts Commission Draft Minutes - July 7, 2021 - Attachment 2A**

Attachments: [Minutes - Cultural Arts Commission - July 7, 2021](#)

*Walker-Bunda moved to approve the July 7, 2021 minutes. The motion was seconded by Federico and approved unanimously.*

**3. Previously Discussed Topics****A. Mission Statement**

*Walker-Bunda read a draft of a group mission statement. Additions were discussed. Walker-Bunda agreed to email the draft and notes to the Commission so that group input could be given.*

**B. Short Term/Long Term Goals****1. Harmon Field**

*Possible artistic improvements were discussed. A timeline will be discussed in a meeting with the City Manager.*

**2. Boling Park - Project Backboard**

*Project Backboard- The group identified the Boling Park Basketball court as a short-term project. Walker-Bunda offered to take the lead on working with student artists and meeting with the City Manager to develop a timeline.*

**3. Etowah River Trail Opening**

*The group discussed a temporary exhibit made of natural objects to coincide with the opening of the Trail.*

**4. Atkins-Fincher Park Possibilities**

*The group discussed making this park into a space for the living arts. A temporary stage was discussed. The group will meet with City Manager to discuss this possibility.*

**C. Review Concepts for Identity (Walker-Bunda)**

*Walker-Bunda will email the group some possibilities for Cultural Arts Commission Identity.*

**4. New Business****A. Discussion of Downtown Christmas Programming (Federico)**

*The group discussed adding performance such as choral/musical to existing Downtown Christmas programming. The importance of Diversity and Inclusion was discussed. Federico offered to meet with Downtown Development Manager to discuss dates and times.*

**B. Ideas for Potential Projects - Alleyway Theatre, Peace Poles, Umbrella Alley, QR Codes, Greenery Sign (Whyte)**

*Whyte presented the group with many ideas for potential projects.*

**C. Christmas Card Art Project with Schools**

*Norton explained the Contest for Art that the City held in 2020. Schools within City limits will be asked to submit student artwork to appear on City Christmas Cards. Whyte volunteered to take the lead on working with schools for this project.*

**5. Adjourn**

*Walker-Bunda moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:52pm. Shampine seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*