City of Auburn Arts Commission
White River Valley Museum
Tuesday, March 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Present: Cary Davidson, Charlotte Gollnick, Jan Jensen, Patricia Judd, Kelley Kuhlman, Amy Sie, Donna Smart, Greg Watson; City Council Member: Rich Wagner; Staff: Arts & Events Manager: Julie Krueger, Arts Coordinator: Allison Hyde, Museum Director: Patricia Cosgrove, Arts Assistant: Mary Ellen Bowers; Excused: Nancy Colson, Heather Longhurst; Not Excused: Dan Norman, Trudi Moses

I. Call to Order, Introductions:
Chair Gollnick called the meeting to order at 4:40 pm. Brief introductions of those present. Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the minutes of the February 2017 Arts Commission meeting; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Watson. Chair Gollnick called the vote, both motions passed unanimously.

II. Presentation on Arts & Culture Center
Arts & Events Manager Julie Krueger shared a powerpoint presentation on the future Arts & Culture Center including a recent video created for the 2017 ArtPlace Grant Application. Krueger and Hyde discussed goals of fundraising for the two-phase renovations and tentative plans for programming the space. Thoughts were shared by Commissioner Jensen and Council Member Wagner regarding possible locations of outdoor stage and performances as well as a desire to close alley between the Center and the Theater in the future for an outdoor gathering place. Grant writing is underway and tentative plans for phase-one renovations are slated for late 2017 and to carry on throughout 2018.

III. Updates and Upcoming Events
Hyde shared updates on current and upcoming art exhibitions including the recent success of the City Hall exhibition of Robert Chism. She reported on the recent successful partnership between Robert Chism and the Mary Olson Farm and a donation from the artist to support the farm. It was mentioned that the Auburn Reporter also wrote an article about Chism's exhibition. Commissioners Watson and Jensen gave an update on the committee meeting regarding the upcoming Iconic Public Art commission and the desire for a piece of art that is large-scale, attention-grabbing and something that can become an icon for the park and the city. Museum Director Cosgrove shared that the upcoming museum exhibition will be curated by Commissioner Watson and will feature Northwest Salish artists. Commissioners were invited to remain at the museum after the meeting was adjourned for a tour of the facility and current exhibit "Women's Work."

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:37 pm

Respectfully submitted, Allison Hyde

Approved the 7th day of April, 2017.

(Chair) (Staff)