

STAFF REPORT

Date: June 14, 2023

To: Mayor and City Council

Thru: Doug Thornley, City Manager

Subject: Staff Report (For Possible Action): Discussion and potential appointment of up to four individuals to the Reno Arts and Culture Commission from the following pool of applicants, listed in alphabetical order: Ruby Barrientos, Constance Hightower, Matthew Kaempfe, Richard Layton, Jahahi Mazariego, Kendall Nolan, and/or Marie Rodriguez.

From: Mikki Huntsman, City Clerk

Department: City Clerk

Summary:

There are currently four vacancies for the Reno Arts and Culture Commission. The Clerk's Office has received seven applications from Ruby Barrientos, Constance Hightower, Matthew Kaempfe, Richard Layton, Jahahi Mazariego, Kendall Nolan, and Marie Rodriguez.

Melanie Rudnick's appointment expired on May 31, 2023, Ms. Rudnick is eligible for but not interested in reappointment at this time.

The term of appointment is for June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Arts, Parks, and Historical Resources

Previous Council Action:

There is no recent Council action relevant to this item.

Background:

Pursuant to RMC 2.08.770 - 2.08.780, the RACC consists of 11 members who are registered voters and reside in the Truckee Meadows area, a majority of whom shall reside and be registered voters in the City of Reno. The commission is to consist of at least one architect or designer, one arts educator, and one professional artist. The remaining members shall represent business and the community at large.

Members of the RACC are appointed to terms of three years and each commission member may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

Method of Appointment:

Members shall be appointed by Council as a whole. The Arts and Culture Commissioners provide a recommendation for appointments.

Financial Implications:

None at this time.

Legal Implications:

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council make the necessary appointments as noted in the staff report.

Proposed Motion:

I move to appoint _____, _____, _____, and/or _____ to the Reno Arts and Culture Commission.

Attachments:

- RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION ROSTER
- BARRIENTOS, RUBY APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (WARD 4)
- HIGHTOWER, CONSTANCE APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (SPARKS)
- KAEMPFE, MATTHEW APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (WARD 1)
- LAYTON, RICHARD APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (WARD 1)
- MAZARIEGO, JAHABI APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (WARD 3)
- NOLAN, KENDALL APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (WARD 2)
- RODRIGUEZ, MARIE APPLICATION FOR RENO ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION (WARD 3)