

Chapter 5

ARTS COMMISSION

2-5-1: ESTABLISHMENT AND TITLE:

There is hereby established and created a commission to be known as the Sandpoint arts commission (hereinafter "commission"). (Ord. 1106, 2-18-2004)

2-5-2: STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

It is the purpose of the commission to act in an advisory capacity to the mayor and city council to create and maintain an atmosphere conducive to the fullest expression of all forms of the arts in order to enrich the lives of all Sandpoint citizens and visitors through public art. (Ord. 1106, 2-18-2004)

2-5-3: DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The commission shall advise and assist the mayor and city council with respect to developing, coordinating, and promoting the performing and visual arts for the enjoyment, education, cultural enrichment and benefit of the citizens of Sandpoint. In furtherance of these duties, the commission shall attempt to accomplish, subject to council approval, the following objectives:

- A. Encourage the preservation and growth of the city's art resources and advance Sandpoint as an arts and cultural destination.
- B. Work with arts organizations, public agencies and community representatives, to plan and promote arts activities, provide opportunities for residents to participate in artistic activities.
- C. Assist in obtaining grants and donations in support of the arts, and encourage the donation of public art within the city.
- D. Foster opportunities for artists to advance their art forms and recognize the achievements and excellence of outstanding artists and increase public access to their works.

- E. Encourage a public collection of artworks with strong inherent aesthetic qualities and a wide range of artistic styles and disciplines. (Ord. 1106, 2-18-2004)

2-5-4: MEMBERSHIP, TERMS OF OFFICE, VACANCIES:

The commission shall consist of no fewer than seven (7) and no more than nine (9) voting members of the commission, to be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the city council. One member of the city council shall act as a liaison. The members shall be chosen as citizens at large from the residents of the city, providing that three (3) members may reside outside the city limits. The members shall serve without compensation. (Ord. 1270, 6-20-2012)

- A. Commission Terms/Vacancies: Each member of the commission shall serve a term of three (3) years or until his or her successor is appointed and qualified. Vacancies arising in any member's position shall be filled for the remaining term of the member originally appointed. Initial appointments to the commission shall be made as follows: three (3) 1-year terms; three (3) 2-year terms; and three (3) 3-year terms. All subsequent appointments shall be made for three (3) year terms (evenly staggered if there are fewer members). Commission members may be reappointed to serve additional terms. The mayor shall determine the term of office for first appointed members, consistent with this section. The ex officio member of the commission shall hold office corresponding with their respective tenures in regular city administrative positions, and may be removed and replaced by the mayor. The mayor shall fill any vacancies occurring in the membership of the commission, with the appointment to be confirmed by the city council.
- B. Organization And Quorum: At the first meeting of each fiscal year or as soon thereafter as practicable, the members of the commission shall meet and organize to elect a chairperson, vice chairperson, and fill such other offices as determined necessary. The chairperson shall preside at meetings of the commission. The vice chairperson shall, when the chairperson is absent, perform the duties of the chairperson. A majority of the appointed members of the commission shall be necessary to constitute a quorum and conduct any business at any commission meeting.
- C. Removal Of Members: Any member of the commission may be removed with or without cause by the mayor with the consent of the city council.
- D. Meetings: The commission shall meet at a regular place and time as determined by the commission. All meetings of the commission shall follow the requirements of Idaho's open meeting laws to allow and promote public participation in the decisions of the commission. The commission shall keep minutes and other appropriate written records of its resolutions, proceedings, and actions.
- E. Rules: The commission shall have the authority, subject to Sandpoint city council approval, to make reasonable rules necessary for the execution of its duties as set forth in this chapter. Rules of procedure and bylaws, if any, adopted by the commission shall be available for public inspection.

The commission shall make a written record of the meetings, its resolutions, findings, determinations, and of its recommendations, which said written record shall be kept as a permanent public record. The commission will give monthly updates to the mayor and the city council, when appropriate. (Ord. 1106, 2-18-2004)