



ATHENS  
**Cultural  
Affairs**  
COMMISSION

## Minutes for ACAC Commissioners Meeting

*DATE: February 21, 2022*

### ***PRESENT:***

Executive:

Chair: Andrew Salinas

Vice Chair: Madeline Blankenship

Treasurer: Darcie St. Onge

Secretary: Donna Brumby

Members-at-Large: Beatrice Brown; Helen Kuykendall; Montu Miller; Victoria Prevatt;  
Esra Santesso

Ex-officio: Mickey Boyd; Jan Bush; Serena Scibelli

Advisors: Didi Dunphy; Stephanie Raines

Guests: Madhuri Angadi

Staff: Tatiana Veneruso

### ***MEMBERS ABSENT:***

Linda Ford

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The meeting was called to order by Andrew at 6:03 pm.

The minutes of the previous meeting (January 10, 2021) were approved unanimously (motion by / second by Madeline).

### **Chair's Report**

- The three ACAC members whose terms are set to expire at the end of March 2022 (Donna, Montu, and Darcie) have agreed to serve another term if reappointed. One membership position is vacant at this time.
- Andrew opened discussion about the opportunity to expend a portion of the current Capital Funds budget. Capital Funds can be used to fund installations of a permanent nature. Possibilities discussed included additional murals, bike racks, establishing a sculpture park, and “text-based” displays of local poetry, lyrics, and other writings. The Chair appointed Mickey and Serena to establish a Bike Rack task force to begin mapping out infrastructure and plans for locating bike racks throughout the County. The Strategy Team will continue to explore plans for the Capital Funds and will offer suggestions at the next monthly ACAC meeting.

- Tatiana will poll the ACAC group in order to finalize a date for an in-person, full-day training session in April or May 2022, to be led by UGA's Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

### **Financial Report**

ACAC Financial Overview for FY22 was submitted by Darcie and is attached.

### **Project Reports**

Tatiana presented the following updates:

- Clayton Street  
Fabrication is pending, with installation expected in May 2022.
- Poet Laureate  
An event is being planned for April, which is National Poetry Month. Poetry will be displayed in downtown windows during the month.
- Greenway II  
The Mayor and Commission approved the site and type and Tatiana is composing a draft call for artists and projects.
- Costa Building  
The Mayor and Commission will vote in March on the use for this building.
- Classic Center Arena  
The user group for this project met on February 16, 2021 to discuss project types and locations. ACAC Task Force members will now discuss how the funding might be divided between multiple installations for this project.
- Affordable Housing  
Tatiana is working on a plan for public engagement for this project.
- Music Walk of Fame  
The 2022 selection team meeting was held in January. The next round of inductees has been selected and will be announced soon.
- Hawthorne Intersection  
The A-CCUG Manager will not be establishing a User Group for this project, thus ACAC will put together a Task Force for this purpose.

### **Outreach Team Report:**

Madeline recapped the team's latest meeting and will present a more detailed report at the March ACAC meeting.

### **Strategy Team Report:**

No report submitted.

### **Upcoming Events:**

Various local opportunities were reported by members and guests.

***NEXT MEETING: March 14, 2022 at 6:00 pm***  
**(Online meeting is planned at this time.)**

(DRAFT Minutes submitted by Donna Brumby.)