

**CITY OF COLUMBIA  
ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING REPORT  
JUNE 6, 2012 – 2:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL – 1737 MAIN STREET  
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM – 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR**



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The Columbia City Council will conduct an Arts & Historic Preservation Committee Meeting on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Belinda F. Gergel (Chair) called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. The Honorable Sam Davis and The Honorable Brian DeQuincey Newman were present.

**DISCUSSION**

Councilor Gergel asked to move item #4 up and discuss it after the One Columbia update.

1. One Columbia Update – Ms. Barbara Rackes

Ms. Rackes updated the committee on One Columbia and the events coming ahead. One Columbia is preparing to start their search for an executive director. We are in the process of creating guidelines for public art. As of right now, the guidelines are for anyone who has roots in Columbia. We are trying to engage private business in displaying public art. One Columbia will also begin the process of cataloguing various art forms around the city. Ms. Rackes asked the committee to the financial and reporting practices of One Columbia.

There was a consensus of the committee to have legal review the document for full council's consideration.

2. Hospitality Tax Fund Update

Councilor Gergel we are looking for ways to maximize the dollars to meet the city's strategic plan. We received information from Ms. Gober on ways to address funding levels and length of service for funding opportunities and how we become more inclusive.

Ms. Libby Gober, Council Staff Assistant advised the committee that she is working with Mr. Gantt in trying to get the Hospitality Tax Committee audit done.

There was a consensus of the committee to devote a work session to discuss possible changes to the way the city and committee allocate funds. This is being tentatively set for July 10, 2012.

3. Busking Ordinance

Mr. Gaines went over the changes in the ordinance and clarified points raised by committee members and meeting participants.

Ms. Brenda Kyzer, Business License Administrator advised the committee that they have checked with the vendor of the software they use and they can create busker licenses with a startup cost of about \$1,800. The license itself will be able to hold a photo and the ordinance information on the back.

There was a consensus of the committee to have the drafted ordinance for the full council's consideration on June 26, 2012.

4. Public Access to Records Update

Councilor Gergel did a brief overview of the new website showing records from city council meetings held in 1880s. This collection is growing and we have a wonderful partnership with the University.

There was a consensus of the committee to have Public Relations promote this project.

The meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Connie Lucius  
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