

JOINT ARTS & CULTURE AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024 | 3:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

CITY COUNCILOR CAROL CLARKE, CHAIR COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM CRYSTAL N. SMITHERMAN AND LATONYA A. TATE, COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councilor(s) Present: Clarke, Tate

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Councilor Clarke.

The Committee has purview over the following entities: Arlington Antebellum Homes & Garden, The Birmingham Museum of Art, The Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, Sloss Furnace National Historic Landmark, Southern Museum of Flight, and Boutwell Auditorium

II. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Councilor Clarke offered a Moment of Silent Reflection.

III. SLOSS NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

Potential New Board Members for Consideration:

Jane Reed-Ross (expressed interest to serve on the Strategic Planning Committee), Meagan Holland (expressed interest to serve on the Membership Committee), Ralph Carp expressed interest to serve on the Preservation Committee), Carol McElhaney (expressed interest to serve on the Governance Committee).

Action Taken:

Councilor Tate Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Clarke Seconded the Motion.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda.

IV. EFFECTIVE LIAISING WITH ARTS & CULTURE ORGANIZATIONS

Action Taken:

Councilor Tate Motioned to Delay until the next scheduled Joint Arts & Culture and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Councilor Clarke Seconded the Motion.

Item Delayed until the next scheduled Joint Arts & Culture and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting.

V. 205 DAY

Carmen Mays presented information.

205 Day was created approximately 3 years ago by Carmon Mays. Every February 5th is a day to celebrate and to learn more about what is available in Birmingham.

The 2024-205 Day Happy Hour will be celebrated at Continental Drift, located at 7th Avenue South and 22nd Street, 6:00 p.m. Council President O'Quinn will give remarks.

A new tradition will begin at this year's event with Birmingham's Inaugural Poet Laureate, Salaam Green. She has crafted a new toast and a new poem that will be delivered at the event.

Action Taken:

No Action – Information Only.

VI. OTHER/ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Tate Motioned to Adjourn.

Councilor Clarke Seconded the Motion.

Meeting Adjourned.