



Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A
101 W. Abram Street, 3rd Floor
Arlington, TX 76010

**MINUTES OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE
ARLINGTON TOMORROW FOUNDATION
December 2, 2015**

The Arlington Tomorrow Foundation Advisory Committee convened on December 2, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., at the Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A, 101 W. Abram Street, 3rd Floor, Arlington, Texas, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by V.T.C.A., Government Code, Chapter 551, with the following members present, to-wit:

Committee members:

Frank Alexander
Mike Gerro
Connie Kerr
Shirley Patterson
Stephen Zimmer

And

Carolyn Mentessana, Executive Director
Jennifer Wichmann, Director, Management Resources
Martha Garcia, Deputy City Secretary
Karen Roberts, Grants Coordinator

I. Call to Order:

Stephen Zimmer, Advisory Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.

II. Approval of October 14, 2015 Committee meeting minutes

Committee member Patterson made a motion to approve the October 14, 2015 Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

III. Update on Board of Directors actions and decisions

Executive Director Carolyn Montesana provided an overview of the Board of Directors recent actions and decisions.

IV. Discussion of pending letters of inquiry and selection of final applications which will be recommended to board for final proposals and for grant considerations

Letters of Inquiry:

1. Arlington Community Band – Drumming-up music: The Heart”beat” of Arlington: \$27,356 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to decline invitation for final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Alexander, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays.
(DENIED)
2. Child Study Center – Improving Connectivity with Arlington Programs: \$8,792 requested.
Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve invitation for final grant application in the modified amount of \$5,000. Seconded by Committee member Gerro, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
3. Community Partners of Tarrant County – Safety First Arlington: \$8,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve invitation for final grant application in the modified amount of \$5,000. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
4. River Legacy Foundation – Nuts About Nature Capital Campaign: \$1,000,000 requested.
Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve invitation for final grant application in the modified amount of \$300,000 – \$600,000, depending on the Foundation’s financial situation and challenged the applicant to find matching amount. Seconded by Committee member Alexander, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

5. United Performing Arts Company – Uniting the Arts for Arlington: \$85,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to decline invitation for final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays.
(DENIED)

Final Grant Applications:

1. Meals on Wheels, Inc. of Tarrant County – Home Delivered Meals to Arlington Residents: \$38,500 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Alexander, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
2. Water From the Rock – Reduce Hunger Together: \$10,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve final grant application, Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**
3. Hawkins Cemetery Association – Hawkins Cemetery Improvement Project: \$36,000 requested.
Committee member Gerro made a motion to decline final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Zimmer the motion carried with 4 ayes and 1 nay.
AYES: Committee member Zimmer, Committee member Alexander, Committee member Gerro, Committee member Kerr
NAYS: Committee member Patterson
(DENIED)

V. Future Agenda Items

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

Stephen Zimmer, Chair

ATTEST:

Mary W. Supino, City Secretary