

Ordinance No. 00421

[City Council meeting minutes of Aug 21 2006](#)

ORDINANCE NO. 421

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, establishing a Chapter 2.66, creating the Lakewood Arts Commission.

WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood serves all its citizens; and
WHEREAS, the arts, in all forms, enhance the quality of life in the City of Lakewood; and
WHEREAS, establishment of a City of Lakewood Arts Commission will provide an avenue by which our citizens can promote the Arts to the benefit of the City.
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN as follows:
Section 1. That a new Chapter 2.66 of the Lakewood Municipal Code be, and the same hereby is created, establishing the Lakewood Arts Commission, to read as follows:

Chapter 2.66
Lakewood Arts Commission

Sections:

2.66.010 Lakewood Arts Commission
2.66.020 Membership.
2.66.030 Appointment.
2.66.040 Terms and vacancies.
2.66.050 Officers - Meetings.
2.66.060 Role of the Arts Commission.
2.66.070 Compensation.

02.66.010 ? Lakewood Arts Commission Created

There is created an advisory body to be known as the ?Lakewood Arts Commission.?

02.66.020 - Membership

There shall be at least seven (7) but no more than fifteen (15) members of the Lakewood Arts Commission who shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, and who shall serve at the pleasure of the City Council.

02.66.030 - Appointment

The members of the Lakewood Arts Commission shall be appointed from among members of the public to include, to the extent reasonably possible, representation from people representative of acknowledged accomplishment or persons working outside of professional practice in the arts, but who demonstrate a deep interest in and appreciation of cultural and artistic activities. At least one member shall be a working professional artist; at least one person working in the Lakewood education community; and at least one currently active in a Lakewood Community organization.

02.66.040 - Terms and Vacancies

The terms of office of the members shall be for periods of three years; provided, however, that in the appointment of the first Commission, one third of the members shall be appointed for one year, one third of the members for two years, and one third of the members for three years. At the expiration of each of said terms so provided for, a successor shall be provided for a term of three years. Each member shall serve until his or her successor is qualified and appointed.

02.66.050 - Officers - Meetings

A. At its first meeting of each year, the Lakewood Arts Commission members shall elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson from among the members of the Commission. The Lakewood Arts Commission shall establish a regular time and place of meeting and shall hold at least six regular meetings a year. Special meetings of the Commission may be called at any time by the Chair or by a majority of the members of the Commission upon written notice being given to all members of the Commission. All meetings must be properly noticed in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

B. It shall be the duty of the chairperson to preside over all meetings of the Commission. The vice chairperson shall preside at all meetings where the chairperson is absent. Minutes shall be kept and meeting agendas prepared in coordination between members of the Board and staff members. A majority of the appointed members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority vote of those present shall be necessary to carry any recommended action.

02.66.060 - Role of the Arts Commission

The purpose of the Lakewood Arts Commission, consistent with guidance from the Lakewood City Council, is to assess needs, establish priorities, and make recommendations for the enrichment of the community and promotion of its cultural vitality through the arts.

The Lakewood Arts Commission will therefore do the following:

- ? Promote the visual, performing and literary arts;
- ? Encourage the creative contribution of local artists;
- ? Make recommendations for Public Art to the City Council;
- ? Support community-building events; and
- ? Foster the City's cultural heritage.

02.66.070 - Compensation

The members of the Lakewood Arts Commission shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after publication of the Ordinance Summary.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 21st day of August, 2006.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

Claudia B. Thomas, Mayor
Attest:

Alice M. Bush, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Heidi Ann Wachter, City Attorney