



**Item:** Appointments, Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board

**From:** City Manager's Office

**Initiated By:** City Commission

**Presented By:** City Commission

**Action Requested:** Appointments to the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board

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**Suggested Motion:**

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move that the City Commission reappoint Keern Haslem and Carl Donovan for an additional three year term and appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to fill a three-year term through December 31, 2018, to the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board.”

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, public comment, and calls the vote.

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**Staff Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Commission reappoint Keern Haslem and Carl Donovan and appoint one new member to fill three-year terms through December 31, 2018, to the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board.

**Summary:**

Keern Haslem and Carl Donovan were appointed to the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board in January of 2013 to a term expiring December 31, 2015 and both are interested in serving another term. Tracy Houck was appointed to the Board in March of 2015 to fill the remainder of a three year term ending December 31, 2015. Ms. Houck has been elected as a City Commissioner and therefore, is not eligible to serve on the Board. It is necessary to appoint one new member to fill this three year term.

**Background:**

The Civic Center Advisory Board was created in 1997 and was amended by Ord. 2928 in February of 2006 to change the name to the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board. The Board acts in an advisory capacity to the City Commission and the City Manager on matters related to the successful operation of the Civic Center as the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts and public meeting rooms. The Board consists of five to seven members with an

attempt to have representation from the areas of performing arts, conventions and meetings, and civic leaders.

Evaluation and Selection Process

The vacancy has been posted on the City of Great Falls website and advertised through the local media.

Continuing members of this board are:

	Term:
Kelly Manzer	1/01/14 – 12/31/16
Edward (Larry) Gomoll	12/20/11 – 12/31/17
Allen Lanning	1/06/15 – 12/31/16

Members interested in reappointment are:

Carl Donovan	1/15/13 – 12/31/15
Keern Haslem	1/15/13 – 12/31/15

Citizens interested in serving are:

Patty Holmes Myers

**Concurrences:** At its December 18, 2015, meeting, the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts Advisory Board recommended the appointment of Patty Holmes Myers and to reappoint Keern Haslem and Carl Donovan.

**Fiscal Impact:** Not applicable.

**Alternatives:** Advertise to seek other citizen interest.

**Attachments/Exhibits:** Application  
Email regarding recommendation



CITIZEN INTEREST FORM  
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

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Thank you for your interest. Citizen volunteers are regularly appointed to the various boards and commissions. This application subject to Montana Right to Know laws.

CITY MANAGER

Board/Commission Applying For: Mansfield Center for Performing Arts		Date of Application: 12-16-2015
Name: Patty Holmes Myers		
Home Address: 369 Carol Drive		Email address: pattymyers@bresnan.net
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	Cell Phone: 406-899-0874
Occupation: Retired Educator		Employer: GFPS for 39 years
Would your work schedule conflict with meeting dates? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (If yes, please explain)		
Related experiences or background: Consumer of Services of Mansfield Center; Volunteer at the center		
Educational Background: BA in Elementary Education - UM Masters in Curriculum and Instruction Masters in Educational Technology		
<b>IF NECESSARY, ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET FOR YOUR ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING:</b>		
Previous and current service activities: CASA-CAN volunteer; Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary; Usher for Mansfield Center; Grizzly Scholarship Association		
Previous and current public experience (elective or appointive): 2000-2014 - State Board of Public Education - chair from 2007-2014 National Board for National Education Association		
Membership in other community organizations: North Central Montana Retired Educators Association;		

when? I worked for the city when they ran the Montana State Fair. For 2 weeks each summer I worked in the fair bank.

Do you have any relatives working or serving in any official capacity for the City of Great Falls? Yes  No  If yes, who, which department, and relationship?

Have you ever served on a City or County board? Yes  No  If yes, what board and when did you serve?

Are you currently serving on a Board? Yes  No  If yes, which board?

Please describe your interest in serving on this board/commission?  
I believe that the Mansfield Center should be the center of activity for the community of Great Falls. I am a "people person" and believe that I have the time and the talents necessary to facilitate this. A good job is being done. Perhaps it can even get better.

Please describe your experience and/or background which you believe qualifies you for service on this board/commission?  
I served on many boards while I was a teacher leader. I know how to have open, productive discussions and listening sessions. I know how to put those sessions into action.

Additional comments:

Signature 

Date: 12-16-2015

If you are not selected for the current opening, your application may be kept active for up to one year by contacting the City Manager's office. Should a board/commission vacancy occur within 30 days from the last City Commission appointment, a replacement member may be selected from citizen interest forms submitted from the last advertisement. For more information, contact the City Manager's office at 455-8450.

**Return this form to:**  
City Manager's Office  
P.O. Box 5021  
Great Falls, MT 59403

Fax:  
(406) 727-0005

Email:  
kartis@greatfallsmt.net

## Krista Artis

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**From:** Dona Hughes  
**Sent:** Monday, December 21, 2015 5:10 PM  
**To:** Krista Artis  
**Subject:** RE: Board members

Krista,

Yes, the Mansfield Board recommends reappoint of both Keern and Carl. The Board also voted to recommend the appointment of Patty Myers for the Board.

Thanks so much!  
Dona

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**From:** Krista Artis  
**Sent:** Monday, December 21, 2015 9:26 AM  
**To:** Dona Hughes  
**Subject:** Board members

Dona,  
Does your Board have recommendations for reappointments of Keern and Carl and appointment of one new Board member?