

CITY OF SURPRISE
ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes – Approved

November 1, 2021 / 6:00 PM

Council Overflow Room
16000 NORTH CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
SURPRISE, ARIZONA 85374

CALL TO ORDER:

A. Roll Call

Chair Deborah Welch, Vice-Chair Rhiannon Miett, Commission members, Susan deJong, Margaret Lieu, Jay Lickus, Jo Grant, Kathie Morgan.

Staff: Danielle Osborne, HSCV Administrator, Robert Wingo, City Attorney.

Pledge of Allegiance

B. Current Events Reports

Commissioner Lieu shared she enjoyed some downtown architectural pieces in the state of Illinois.

Chair Welch shared the “Bloom Where You’re Planted” art was approved by Council, adding that they were all thrilled to learn about this piece.

Vice-Chair Miett stated she and Commissioner Morgan met with the Sports & Tourism department to review more on the baseball park art. She added she learned about clothesline art, stated she found it very cool.

Commissioner deJong attended a MLK planning meeting, the Council meeting, and Poetry Slam. She also stated she met with an artist who will be involved in feature wall.

Commissioner Grant shared she visited Fire Station 308, added that once the landscape is complete it will bring this area together. She also stopped by the Aquatic Center, which she found that it turned out great.

Commissioner Morgan shared she visited the Aquatic Center too and found it surprising that the ceiling was not done; she asked to have this placed on a future agenda item to discuss further. She also shared with the Commission the Thunderbird Art Card, where a number of events including Surprise is mentioned.

C. Staff Reports

Ms. Osborne reported on the following items:

- Roadway Art

- Fire Station 308 art
- Xeriscape Garden and Gallery 37 program
- Aquatic Center mural
- Public Safety Evidence and Readiness Center art
- SciTech Festival art

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS – NON PUBLIC HEARING

Item 1 – Consideration and action pertaining to approval of the October 4, 2021 Arts and Cultural Advisory Commission meeting minutes.

Commissioner Grant moved to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2021 Arts & Cultural Advisory Commission meeting. Vice-Chair Miett 2nd. 7 Yes votes. Motion carried.

Item 2 – Discussion pertaining to the 1.3% for the Arts ordinance update.

Ms. Osborne provided an overview of the meeting that had been held between Mayor Hall, Councilmember Judd, Chair Welch, and Vice-Chair Miett. She summarized by saying that the proposed amendments were going to move forward based on the conversations. Chair Welch and Vice-Chair Miett provided additional context as to the council's reasoning for wanting to modify the ordinance, explaining that Council was supportive.

Commissioner deJong inquired about some of the specific language within the proposed language. City Attorney Wingo explained the legal justification for how the new language was crafted. Ms. Osborne informed the commission that the item would be placed for review and approval at the November 16th regular City Council meeting.

Item 3 – Discussion and action pertaining to Mobile Museum interactive activities for the Surprise Party.

Ms. Osborne updated the commission on their previous request to make a "coloring wall" available at the Surprise Party. Due to a heavy workload, the Marketing & Communications Department would not be able to deliver a design in time for the event. However, they will begin working towards creating one. Ms. Osborne provided an alternative option to the commission, a tabletop coloring poster.

Vice-Chair agreed on using the coloring posters, she suggested having make a letter to Santa station. Commissioner Grant stated that the bookmarks along with crayons are a better idea to have the line moving along. Commissioner Morgan agreed since the bookmarks can be set as easy access to grab and go.

Vice-Chair Miett asked if the motion can be made to purchase more of the bookmarks. Commissioner Lieu recommended to have these redesigned with less color, Commissioner deJong agreed.

The commission concluded that they would utilize existing interactive materials for their display at the Surprise Party. No action was taken.

Item 4 – Discussion and action pertaining to the Fiscal Year 2023 recommended budget.

Ms. Osborne provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2022 budget, as well as her recommendations for Fiscal Year 2023. Due to the success and continued operation of the Municipal Arts Fund, she recommended that the overall budget focus on operational costs.

Commissioner Lieu suggested requesting more money for the budget. Vice-Chair Mielt responded that they would need to justify it by having a need for more money, which they have not done in recent years. Ms. Osborne inquired as to the commission's desire to expand the art grant fund. The commission agreed, however Commissioner Morgan felt that the process would need to be refined. Commissioner Lieu suggested a working panel to revisit the art grant process and bring back to the Commission at a future agenda item.

Chair Welch asked what line item the sponsorship funds were drawn from. Ms. Osborne responded those funds came from the community relations line. Commissioner deJong and Vice-Chair Mielt suggested leaving funds there for future sponsorships.

Vice-Chair Mielt asked about the number of attendees that will be participating during the next Public Art Tour; Ms. Osborne said there were 15 registered attendees. Commissioner Lieu suggested setting funds aside to purchase ads. Commissioner deJong suggested newspaper advertisements. Commissioner Grant suggested the Grand Lifestyle Magazine.

Ms. Osborne reviewed the line items affirming the proposed FY23 budget as follows: \$5,000.00 for community relations, \$600.00 for special event hosting, \$4,700.00 for professional outside services, \$30,000.00 to support the art grants, \$2,400.00 towards art maintenance, \$3,000.00 for public art bus tours, and \$5,000.00 towards marketing. She advised the funds could be re-appropriated throughout the year if necessary.

Commissioner Lieu moved to approve the recommended 2023 fiscal year budget in the amount of \$50,700.00 with the amended line items. Commissioner Grant 2nd. 7 Yes votes. Motion carried.

Item 5 – Update and discussion pertaining to the placement of art at the Surprise Stadium.

Commissioner Morgan asked the Commission to table this item to allow her and Vice-Chair Mielt to meet with the Parks & Rec department on November 15, 2021. Mr. Wingo advised this item be placed back on a future agenda without having to table it at this time.

Item 6 – Update and discussion pertaining to the AZ Humanities Speaker Series.

Commissioner Morgan reviewed the scheduled speakers for the upcoming program year, and asked the commission's assistance in sharing this information. Ms. Osborne advised that rack cards are currently under design. Chair Welch thanked Commissioner Morgan for her work on this program.

Item 7 – Discussion and action pertaining to a reception for the Charter School art exhibition in City Hall.

Commissioner deJong asked the Commission to approve funds towards cookies and water for a reception for the Charter School students exhibiting their art in City Hall, with the reception taking place on February 7, 2022 from 5:00 – 6:00 pm.

Commissioner Vice-Chair Mielt moved to approve the reception for the Charter School art exhibition at a cost not to exceed \$200.00. Commissioner deJong 2nd. 7 Yes votes. Motion carried.

Other Business and Future Agenda Items:

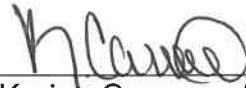
Awards at Charter School art exhibition
Art Gallery
Poetry Slam
Art grant process
Aquatic Center Ceiling

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn 7:01 p.m. – Commissioner Grant. Vice-Chair Mielt 2nd. 7 Yes votes. Motion carried.



Rhiannon Mielt, Vice-Chair

ATTEST:



Karina Caraveo, Administrative Specialist

CERTIFICATION:

I, Danielle Osborne, HSCV Administrator for the City of Surprise Human Service & Community Vitality Department, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Commission meeting held on November 1, 2021.



Danielle Osborne, HSCV Administrator