

CITY OF SURPRISE
Arts and Cultural Advisory Commission
16089 N. Bullard Avenue
Surprise, Arizona 85374
Monday, March 3, 2025 @ 6:00 PM
Surprise Regional Library Conference Room

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

Vice-Chair Crystal Kupper, Commission members Katherine Dunphy, Margaret Lieu, Hassan Rasul, and Susan deJong.

Absent: Chair Dr. Charlotte Pullins, Commissioner Steve Wallgren

Staff: Julie Akerly – Arts & Culture Manager, Alexandra Giambalvo – Arts & Culture Assistant

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Staff Reports

Ms. Akerly, Arts & Culture Manager, reported on the following items:

- Grant applications are now open for FY26
- Maintenance on our public art collection will take place in March
- Installation of the Oasis Court Mural will begin in April
- The iHOLA! artist will be holding a workshop at Asante Library on April 26, 11am-2pm.
- We are a sponsor at Dysart Festival of the Arts on March 8, and will be doing a hands-on arts activity.
- Vista Market Study & Business Plan is entering final phases and will be on a future Council Agenda.

E. Arts and Cultural Advisory Commission Agenda

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS – NON-PUBLIC HEARING:




1. Consideration and action pertaining to the February 3, 2025 Arts & Cultural Advisory Commission meeting minutes.

Commissioner Rasul moved to approve the February 3, 2025 Arts & Cultural Advisory Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner deJung 2nd. 4 Yes votes. 0 No votes. Commissioner Lieu Abstained. Motion carried.

- Went to LIVE @ Asante, bookmark contest, traffic cabinet artist reception, West Valley symphony, Arts HQ opening, and Lunchtime theatre
- Vice-Chair Kuper reports:
 - Very impressed with the local Surprise high school choir performance at the State Capitol
- Commissioner Rasul:
 - Stopped by Arts HQ; attended the traffic cabinet artist reception

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. – Commissioner Lieu motioned. Commissioner deJung 2nd. 5 Yes votes. 0 No votes. Motion Carried.

	 Dr. Charlotte Pullins, Chair
ATTEST:	 Alexandra Giambalvo, Arts & Culture Assistant
<p>CERTIFICATION: I, Julie Akerly, Arts & Culture Manager for the City of Surprise Arts, Culture & Library 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 February 6, 2025.</p>	
	 Julie Akerly, Arts & Culture Manager