

CITY OF SURPRISE
ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes – Approved

April 5, 2021 / 6:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
16000 NORTH CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
SURPRISE, ARIZONA 85374

CALL TO ORDER:

A. Roll Call

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

Absent: Vice-Chair Deborah Welch (excused).

Staff: Danielle Osborne, HSCV Administrator, Karina Caraveo, Administrative Specialist – HSCV, Seth Dyson, Human Service & Community Vitality Director, Hobie Wingard, Assistant City Attorney.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Current Events Reports

Chair Lieu shared she has been very busy now that schools are back to in person setting, advised she has been staying on top of any news related to arts.

Commissioner Grant attended “Guys & Dolls” at The Vista performed by Dysart students, and she had a lot of fun.

Commissioner deJong visited the West Valley Art Museum virtual event, where she saw the African tribal art. She also attended the HQ opening and visited Ground Floor Artists to see the fabric show.

Commissioner Lickus shared he visited The Croft, where he enjoyed a candle concert.

Commissioner Morgan shared that the speaker series is continuing, advised the next one will be on April 14th by Jim Turner: “Lives of Arizonans from Memoirs and Fiction;” followed by June 8th by Kevin Schindler: “The 1894 Lowell Expedition to Arizona”.

D. Staff Reports

Ms. Osborne reported on the following items:

- Arts & Cultural Grant Program has been released, applications due on 4/23 at 5pm.
- FS 308 was approved by Council, working an agreement with artist.
- Gallery 37 agreement has been finalized, working on having the panel and artist meet.
- “Give Your Community a Hand” deaccession goes to Council on 4/6/21.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS – NON PUBLIC HEARING

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

Commissioner deJong pointed out two amendments to the meeting minutes. Ms. Osborne advised corrections would be made.

Commissioner Grant moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 Arts & Cultural Advisory Commission meeting with amendments. Ms. Miett 2nd. 6 Yes votes. 1 Absent (Vice-Chair Welch). Motion carried.

Item 2 – Presentation and action pertaining to the procurement of services by artist BacPac to expand the mural at the Aquatic Center.

Commissioner Morgan asked the Commission to table this item.

Commissioner Morgan moved to table the services by artist BacPac to expand the mural at the Aquatic Center. Ms. Miett 2nd. 6 Yes votes. 1 Absent (Vice-Chair Welch). Motion carried.

Item 3 – Presentation and discussion pertaining to an update on the Arts and Cultural Advisory Commission’s FY21 budget.

Ms. Osborne shared that at the last commission meeting, the Commission asked for an update on FY21 budget. She advised that most of the FY21 budget has been unspent.

Chair Lieu asked for an approximate amount in the budget, recommending that there may be projects to consider before the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Osborne reminded the Commission that upcoming commission meeting will be dedicated for Art Grant applicants, leaving June to consider any future expenditures. She advised that this would not leave enough time to pursue new projects before the close of the fiscal year on June 30th.

Item 4 – Presentation and discussion pertaining to the acquisition of an arts piece by Joe Tyler and possible inclusion and siting of such public art at the Asante Library.

Ms. Osborne advised the Commission she visited the Asante Library, where she was able to talk to them about housing these pieces at their branch. She added there is another meeting scheduled to review possible options. Ms. Osborne advised Mr. Tyler will be invited to visit the proposed locations.

Chair Lieu asked to perhaps obtain two to three options for the installation. Commissioner deJong recommended to have artist Joe Tyler involved to gain his recommendation.

Item 5 – Presentation and discussion pertaining to the possible inclusion and siting of public art at the City’s new 8-acre park.

Ms. Osborne advised the Commission this is a capital project, adding that the opportunity for this site would be for artistic signage. She advised that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission would be included through the process.

Chair Lieu advised she does not see signage as fine art but agreed meeting with Parks & Rec on other opportunities.

Commissioner Lickus asked if there would be a wall built surrounding this park. Ms. Osborne advised that a design is still forthcoming.

Commissioner Grant asked if the main entrance to the park would be from the Country Side parking lot. Ms. Osborne advised that may be the main entrance but not certain at this time. Ms. Grant suggested an entry sign can be considered. Ms. Osborne advised that discussing the different options with Parks & Rec would be the next step to start this discussion.

Commissioner Miett added having an art piece at a city park brings art closer to families' visibility.

Chair Lieu asked about when this meeting with Parks & Rec is scheduled to take place. Ms. Osborne advised she would follow up with a date. Chair Lieu asked that Commissioner Grant join her at the meeting to lead the effort.

Item 6 – Presentation and discussion pertaining to an update on past and possible future maintenance efforts for existing public art in the Surprise public art collection.

Ms. Osborne made the presentation to the Commission.

Chair Lieu asked if the pieces located at the Surprise Park can be added to the list of maintenance items. Ms. Osborne agreed to add them.

Item 7 – Presentation and discussion pertaining to the Mobile Museum display.

Commissioner Morgan overviewed a menu of considerations that have been put together by the working group. She mentioned that the current focus of the Mobile Museum is on education, outreach, and advocacy. Ms. Morgan shared two different plans to the Commission, one being to have the Mobile Museum set up without staff and another to have it staffed at all times. She shared different concepts of programs, displays, and activities that can be used by nature of the event.

Chair Lieu thanked the working group for their work put in the ideas provided. She mentioned her concerns about having art work in an unattended mobile tent may need to be reconsidered. She added she loves the "Did you know" activity idea. Ms. deJong agreed this is a great idea.

Commissioner Morgan advised that the ideas presented are to have available for use by the Commission at any given event. Chair Lieu agreed these ideas will be used depending on the nature of the event.

Commissioner Miett reiterated that all of the ideas presented were great. She suggested having an artist at an event to offer live painting.

Chair Lieu asked about the possibility of a silent auction, Ms. Osborne advised there are not many fundraising done by the city but would do some research and follow up with the Commission.

Chair Lieu mentioned that the coloring bookmarks give-a-ways can be used during these events. Ms. Osborne acknowledged and added she will work on ordering.

Chair Lieu recommended the working group focus on the Fiesta Grande and Surprise Party planning and bring back ideas to the Commission.

Item 8 – Discussion pertaining to the possible inclusion and siting of public art at the Surprise Stadium.

Commissioner Morgan shared with the Commission the statistics between Art and Public Art and Baseball Stadiums.

Commissioner Grant asked if the Surprise Stadium was under Parks & Recreation; Ms. Osborne advised that the Sports & Tourism Department manages the stadium.

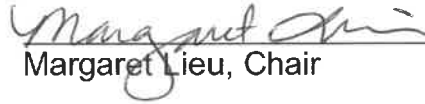
Commissioner deJong pointed out there had been an approach in the past to place art in the stadium, but at the time no space was available. Ms. Morgan offered the possibility of having the mobile tent installed during some of the events at the stadium. Chair Lieu added that this initiative would involve many departments but agreed this is a good time to bring this back to Council.

Commissioner Morgan advised that she and Ms. Miett would bring back ideas to present to Council, however Ms. Osborne recommended discussing these ideas with the appropriate department prior to bringing them to Council.

Other Business and Future Agenda Items:

- BacPac- Aquatic Center Mural
- Maintenance items
- Possible Contest
- Give-A-ways-Bookmarks
- Public Art Archive
- Calendar of Events FY22
- Retreat
- Mobile Museum
- Stadium Art
- Joe Tyler 5 C's

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn 7:30 p.m. – Ms. deJong, 2nd by Ms. Grant. 6 Yes votes. 1 Absent (Vice-Chair Welch). Motion carried.


Margaret Lieu, Chair

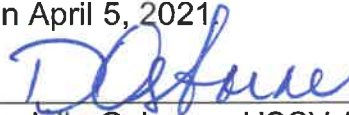
ATTEST:



Karina Caraveo, Administrative Specialist

CERTIFICATION:

I, Danielle Osborne, HSCV Administrator for the City of Surprise City Manager's Office, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Commission meeting held on April 5, 2021.



Danielle Osborne, HSCV Administrator