



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION August 14, 2013

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on August 14, 2013, within the Tempe Public Library, Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Hotchy Kiene - Chair
Susan Bendix
Dave Kephart
Kiyomi Kurooka
David Lucier
Robert Moore
Kelly Nelson
Celeste Plumlee
Frank Williams

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator - Grants; Public Art/Art in Private Development
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant
Barbara Roberts, Deputy Community Services Director - Library and Cultural Services Division

Guest(s) Present:

Melissa Martinez, Artist
Chris Trumble, Artist

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Hilary Harp
Gail Natale
Janis Webb

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Hotchy Kiene, TMAC Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the July 19, 2013, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document

- Hotchy Kiene asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **July 19, 2013**.
- **MOTION:** Celeste Plumlee moved to approve the July 19, 2013, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Meeting Minutes Document as presented.
SECOND: Susan Bendix seconded.
DECISION: July 19, 2013, TMAC Meeting Minutes Document approved as presented.

Agenda Item 3 – Chairperson’s Announcements

- Hotchy Kiene informed TMAC members that Shiela Schmidt has discontinued service as a TMAC member due to her move out of Tempe.

Agenda Item 4 – Arts Grants Reports

- Maja Aurora announced that Tempe City Council approved TMAC funding recommendations for 2013-2014 Arts Project Grants and Organizational Development Grants on July 30, 2013. Grantees will receive award letters by mail. TMAC members will be notified of grants recipients' events for the purpose of auditing.

Agenda Item 5 – Public Art/Art in Private Development Report

- Artist Melissa Martinez presented Hardy Drive Streetscape Public Art. Discussion highlights included:
 - Martinez presented her Final Designs to construct a 16 foot steel representation of a Palo Verde tree to be placed in the median on Hardy Drive just south of University Drive.
 - Yellow steel pinwheels will represent the tree's flowers and will also be attached to City bus shelters down Hardy Drive to Broadway, continuing the Palo Verde theme.
 - Sidewalk concrete immediately surrounding the bus shelters will include imagery of flowers.

[-www.tempe.gov/hardydrive](http://www.tempe.gov/hardydrive)

MOTION: David Kephart moved to approve the Hardy Drive Streetscape Public Art Final Designs by Melissa Martinez.

SECOND: Kelly Nelson seconded.

DECISION: Hardy Drive Streetscape Public Art Final Designs approved.

- Artist Chris Trumble presented University Drive Streetscape Public Art. Discussion highlights included:
 - Trumble presented his Final Designs to install pedestrian tracings onto the University Drive sidewalks, from Priest Drive to Ash Avenue, using personally designed stencils and Rustoleum spray paint.
 - Pedestrian tracings include: jogging, skipping, moonwalking, hobbling, and various types of shoes walking. These will be complimented by indigenous animal tracks that traverse the sidewalks.
 - The University Drive Streetscape project only includes a minimum amount of sidewalk replacement; therefore, Trumble is limited to surface treatments.

[-www.tempe.gov/universitydrive](http://www.tempe.gov/universitydrive)

MOTION: Susan Bendix moved to approve the University Drive Streetscape Public Art Final Designs by Chris Trumble.

SECOND: Celeste Plumlee seconded.

DECISION: University Drive Streetscape Public Art Final Designs approved, with an opposed vote by David Kephart*

- Maja Aurora presented IN FLUX Initiative Cycle 4 Public Art. Discussion highlights included:
 - Cycle 4 for 2013-2014 includes eight cities and at least 16 artist opportunities. Application deadline is September 16; installations projected for December, 2013.
 - Tempe's IN FLUX spaces will be located in Tempe Market Place, University House and the Tempe Transportation Center.
 - \$12,000 Tempe Public Art budget for a total of three spaces

[-http://influxaz.com/](http://influxaz.com/)

MOTION: David Kephart moved to approve the IN FLUX Initiative Cycle 4 Public Art project and corresponding budget.

SECOND: David Lucier seconded.

DECISION: The IN FLUX Initiative Cycle 4 Public Art project and corresponding budget approved.

- Maja Aurora presented Utility Box Phase 2 Public Art. Discussion highlights included:
 - Phase 2 of the utility box beautification project to include four traffic control boxes within the Mill Avenue District.
 - Four artists to be selected to design and paint one utility box each.
 - Project supported cooperatively by City of Tempe, Downtown Tempe Community and Core Campus.
 - \$2,000 Tempe Public Art budget
 - www.tempe.gov/index.aspx?page=2481

MOTION: David Kephart moved to approve the Mill Avenue District Utility Box Phase 2 Public Art project and corresponding budget.

SECOND: Kelly Nelson seconded.

DECISION: Mill Avenue District Utility Box Phase 2 Public Art project and corresponding budget approved.

- Maja Aurora presented El Paso Gas Line Multi-Use Path Public Art. Discussion highlights included:
 - El Paso Gas Line Multi-use Path project is a half mile path extension which extends from Price Road to McClintock Drive and from Rural Road into Kiwanis Park.
 - Project will link major residential areas with Kiwanis Park and the neighborhood parks of Optimist, Gaicki and Scudder as well as connect to Fuller, Fees, Rover, and Aguilar schools.
 - Project will include a paved path, lighting, landscaping, public art and other amenities.
 - \$14,000 Tempe Public Art budget.
 - www.tempe.gov/index.aspx?page=2820

MOTION: Susan Bendix moved to approve the El Paso Gas Line Multi-use Path Public Art project and corresponding budget.

SECOND: Frank Williams seconded.

DECISION: The El Paso Gas Line Multi-use Path Public Art project and corresponding budget approved.

- Maja Aurora presented platFORM Public Art and distributed final design concepts. Discussion highlights included:
 - Selected artist Connor Coffman and artist team Liz Graves and Rowdy Durham have finalized designs and begun fabrication.
 - Connor Coffman's artwork titled *Industrial Desert* will be installed on a metal shelf attached to the south east cyclorama at the corner of Mill Avenue and Rio Salado.
 - Liz Graves and Rowdy Durham's artwork titled *Los Cactus Bailarines* will be installed on a concrete pad at the north end of the tree arboretum facing Mill Avenue.
 - Installation to occur in early September, 2013.

Agenda Item 6 – Portable Works Collection Report

- Maja Aurora presented Portable Works Collection Report. Discussion highlights included:
 - Four framed works have been accessioned into the City of Tempe's Portable Works Collection
 - Two acrylic paintings by Michael Goodwin, gift of the Goodwin family in memory of Michael Goodwin. Goodwin was the city hall architect and long-time Tempe resident.

-Two multi-media collage works by Jeff Falk, gift of the artist. Falk is currently featured in the Animal Crackers exhibition at TCA. Falk has also been an influential member of the Phoenix art scene for more than 30 years.

Agenda Item 7 – Commission Members’ Announcements

- Frank Williams announced the TCA Annual Arts Preview presented by Friends of Tempe Center for the Arts. The preview of the performing arts season occurs Friday, August 23, 2013 from 5 to 7 pm in the TCA lobby; www.tempe.gov/index.aspx?page=2302

Agenda Item 8 – Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting, will be held at 6 p.m. on October 9, 2013 at the Tempe Public Library, Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Rd., Tempe, AZ 85282.
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**

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Reviewed By: Maja Aurora and Barbara Roberts