



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION March 12, 2014

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on March 12, 2014, within the Tempe Marketplace, 2000 E. Rio Salado Parkway Suite 1005, Tempe, AZ 85281.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Celina Chiarello
Christine Cirillo-Ching
Dave Kephart – Vice Chair
Hotchy Kiene
Kiyomi Kurooka
David Lucier
Robert Moore
Gail Natale
Kelly Nelson - Chair

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Susan Bendix
Hilary Harp
Celeste Plumlee
Janis Webb

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator – Arts Grants, Public Art, Art in Private Development
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant
Shelley Hearn, Community Services Director
Barbara Roberts, Deputy Community Services Director
Fran Santos, Assistant City Attorney/Police Commander

Guest(s) Present:

Colleen Donohoe & Madison Creech, Artists – IN FLUX
Melissa Martinez, Artist – Mitchell Park Neighborhood Grant Project
David Saar, Mitchell Park East NA
Penny Wilson & Stephanie Machen, Mitchell Park West NA

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Kelly Nelson, TMAC Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the February 12, 2014, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document

- Kelly Nelson asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **February 12, 2014**.
- **MOTION:** Hotchy Kiene moved to approve the February 12, 2014, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document as presented.
- **SECOND:** Christine Cirillo-Ching seconded.
- **DECISION:** Approved as presented.

Agenda Item 3 – Chairperson’s Announcements

- **Kelly Nelson**, TMAC Chair, made the following announcements:
 - Celina Chiarello** was recently appointed to serve as a Tempe Municipal Arts Commission member.
 - discussed efforts commission members can use when advocating for the arts in Tempe: email friends about art events, provide others with information about public art in Tempe, get people thinking/knowing about art. Kiyomi Kurooka and Robert Moore will work with Kelly to put together information for local tour operators (ex. Segway tours along Tempe Town Lake).

Agenda Item 4 – IN FLUX Initiative

- Commission members visited the IN FLUX art installation by artists **Colleen Donohoe & Madison Creech** at Tempe Marketplace titled To Meet Together in One Place, currently on view through October, 2014. The artists were present to discuss their artwork <http://influxaz.com/colleen-donohoe-and-madison-creech.html>

Agenda Item 5 – Mitchell Park East & West NA(s), Neighborhood Grant

- **David Saar**, Mitchell Park East NA member, and **Penny Wilson**, Mitchell Park West NA member, described the focus of the Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant project currently underway. The project will be located within two medians on 13th Street just east of Hardy Drive. Artist Melissa Martinez was chosen after collecting input from Mitchell Park residents.
- **Melissa Martinez** described her artwork as representing a flock of birds descending into the neighborhood.

Agenda Item 6 – TMAC Duties and Responsibilities

- **Fran Santos**, COT Assistant City Attorney/Police Commander, reviewed and clarified the five Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Powers and Duties outlined in Sec. 2-204 of the Tempe City Code. www.tempe.gov/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=20200

Agenda Item 7 – Tempe Arts Master Plan

- **Shelley Hearn**, COT Community Services Director explained the need for Tempe to develop a new Arts and Culture Master Plan, which would assist the City in forming a unified vision for the arts in Tempe. The City will be issuing a RFP for a consultant to facilitate the process.

Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items

- **Robert Moore** would like to add a discussion about Neighborhood Grant mentoring, previously initiated at the January 8, 2014 TMAC meeting.

Agenda Item 9 – Commission Member’s Announcements

- **Kiyomi Kurooka** encouraged architecture enthusiasts to attend a lecture by Gregg Pasquarelli, a Principal of SC and SHoP Architects in New York, 6 p.m., April 2, 2014. www.tempe.gov/index.aspx?page=2302

- **Hotchy Kiene** announced that *Phoenix New Times* has determined the finalists for the 2014 Big Brain Awards, which honors emerging Phoenix creatives in five categories.
http://blogs.phoenixnewtimes.com/bella/2014/03/2014_big_brain_awards_phoenix.php

Agenda Item 10 – Public Appearances

- No appearances.

Agenda Item 11 - Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting will be held on April 9, 2014 at the Tempe Transportation Center, Don Cassano Community Room, 200 E 5th Street, Tempe 85281.
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.**

Prepared By: Joy Higgins

Reviewed By: Maja Aurora and Barbara Roberts