



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION January 14, 2015

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on January 14, 2015, within the Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Susan Bendix
Celina Chiarello – Vice Chair
Christine Cirillo-Ching
Hilary Harp
Pat Konomos
Charlie Lee
David Lucier
Kiyomi Kurooka
Kelly Nelson – Chair
Gail Natale
Celeste Plumlee

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator – Arts Grants, Public Art, Art in
Private Development
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant

Guest(s) Present:

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Robert Moore

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Kelly Nelson, TMAC Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

- None

Agenda Item 3 – Announcements

- **Maja Aurora**, Arts Coordinator, made the following announcements:
 - the Library Board Room has been booked for all TMAC meetings in 2015
 - TMAC welcomes new member, **Charlie Lee**
 - David Kephart** has resigned, opening one position to complete a full commission of 13

Agenda Item 4 – Elections of 2015 Chair and Vice Chair

- TMAC members nominated **Kelly Nelson** for Chair, and **Celina Chiarello** for Vice-chair
- **MOTION:** **Hilary Harp** moved to elect **Kelly Nelson** for TMAC Chair, and **Celina Chiarello** for TMAC Vice-Chair.
SECOND: **David Lucier** seconded.
DECISION: **Approved as presented.**

Agenda Item 5 - Approval of the December 3, 2014 Commission Minutes

- Kelly Nelson asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **December 3, 2014**.
- **MOTION:** **David Lucier & Gail Natale** moved to approve the **December 3, 2014 Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Meeting Minutes document** as presented.
SECOND: **Christine Cirillo-Ching** seconded.
DECISION: **Approved as presented.**

Agenda Item 6 - Approval of the December 10, 2014 Commission Minutes

- Kelly Nelson asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **December 10, 2014**.
-G. Natale questioned whether Anthony Johnson should be listed as a “Guest Present” for his attendance at the meeting as a community member at large
-K. Nelson presented edits to Agenda Item 2
- **MOTION:** **Christine Cirillo-Ching** moved to approve the **December 10, 2014 Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Meeting Minutes document** as amended.
SECOND: **Hilary Harp** seconded.
DECISION: **Approved as amended.**

Agenda Item 7 – Public Art Updates

- **Maja Aurora** presented updates to current Tempe Public Art projects.
IN FLUX
-Kristin Bauer installed her artwork in the second floor corner window space of the 5th and Mill Building. Her graphic mural is titled *SEEN*.
-Photos of this project have been used for the last two published articles about public art:
http://blogs.phoenixnewtimes.com/jackalope/2014/12/in_flux_phoenix_public_art_2015.php
<http://www.arizonafoothillsmagazine.com/art/art-galleries/6974-3-must-see-public-arts-in-tempe.html>
-The south Tempe location at Rural & Elliot Roads (between P. Croissant and Crepe Bar). Installation should be complete by the end of the week, including lighting.
-Hugo Medina & Kira Olsen have begun installing *Baseline Gardens*. Installation should be complete by this weekend.
<http://influxaz.com>

University Drive Streetscape Public Art

- the palm tree near the Priest Drive median sculpture has been shifted over by five feet
- currently exploring where to place signage for artwork that is in a median, possibly a plaque set into the sidewalk.

www.tempe.gov/UniversityDrive www.tempe.gov/publicart

Hardy Drive Streetscape Public Art

- all bus shelters have been installed and M. Martinez's pinwheels will be attached
- 13th Street median tree sculpture foundation has been installed. The tree should be installed Tuesday morning, January 20, 2015.

www.tempe.gov/HardyDrive www.tempe.gov/publicart

Agenda Item 8 – Water Utility Department Well Site #1 Mural, Public Art

- **M. Aurora** presented the public art opportunity for mural painting on a block wall to be constructed around a new well site near Daley Park on College Ave. south of 15th St.
 - project budget is \$25,000 for an artist to paint a mural on the two sections of wall
 - www.tempe.gov/artistcalls
 - The call will be shared with the Jaycee Park Mural project, though separate selection panels will choose an artist for each project
 - call to artists is a Request for Qualifications (RFQ), no proposals will be accepted
 - M. Aurora will collaborate with Neighborhood Services to assemble selection panels comprised of City staff and neighborhood members
 - selection panels may select one to three artists who would receive a stipend to create a proposal, final artist selection would be decided based on proposals
 - M. Aurora received edit suggestions for the RFQ from TMAC members
 - applications accepted via Submittable: <https://tempepublicart.submittable.com/submit>
- **MOTION:** **Hilary Harp moved to recommend releasing a call to artists for the Daley Park Mural project, and for accessioning the mural into the City of Tempe Public Art collection.**
- **SECOND:** **Susan Bendix seconded.**
- **DECISION:** **Recommended as presented.**

Agenda Item 9 – Jaycee Park Mural, Public Art

- **M. Aurora** presented the public art opportunity for mural painting on a City building (Hardy Yard) near Westside Center & Jaycee Park on Hardy Drive south of 5th Street
 - the wall facing Hardy Drive will be painted in an effort to discourage tagging on the wall
 - Public Art is matching \$6000 to Public Works Graffiti Abatement \$6000 of funding
 - RFQ is shared with the Daley Park Mural project, see Agenda Item 8 for details
- **MOTION:** **Susan Bendix moved to recommend releasing a call to artists for the Jaycee Park Mural project, and for accessioning the mural into the City of Tempe Public Art collection.**
- **SECOND:** **Celina Chiarello seconded.**
- **DECISION:** **Recommended as presented.**

Agenda Item 10 – platFORM Cycle 3, Public Art

- **M. Aurora** presented the plan to move forward with platFORM Cycle 3.
 - the existing two sculpture locations on the Hayden Flour Mill site, will be programmed again for Cycle 3
 - budget ranges between \$2000-\$3000 for a one-year lease for each sculpture

-Tempe Leadership Class XXX will be building a permanent bike corral structure at Tempe Beach Park and is interested in the possibility of integrating one to two platform sites within the corral for future platFORM programming.

- **MOTION:** **Christine Cirillo-Ching moved to recommend moving forward with platFORM Cycle 3, and continuing a partnership with Tempe Leadership.**
- SECOND:** **Kiyomi Kurooka seconded.**
- DECISION:** **Recommended as presented.**

Agenda Item 11 – Tempe Arts Plan

K. Nelson reported on the actions of the Tempe Arts Plan Steering Committee. The 31 member group includes people from all facets of the arts (visual, performing, literary, and business community) and age demographics.

-the first steering committee meeting with the Cultural Planning Group (CPG), held on December 10th, allowed members to voice their opinions for the future of Tempe

-the second meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2015

-the committee will likely play an active part in facilitating the Town Hall meeting scheduled for 5:30-7:30pm, February 3rd at Tempe Center for the Arts

-Nelson asked TMAC members to forward the Town Hall meeting website link to 20 people in their network. Online comments will be taken from February 2-24, 2015.

www.tempe.gov/tempeartsplan

Agenda Item 12 – Public Art Docent Program

- **K. Nelson** presented future plans for Public Art Docents:
 - Kate Hastings, coordinator for Tempe Festival of the Arts, is eager to partner again for the spring Festival, March 27-29, 2015
 - time slots per docent station will shorten to one-hour slots locations for docent stations that provide the best opportunities for interaction, will be finalized at the next TMAC meeting
 - Christine Cirillo-Ching and Charlie Lee will gather information regarding t-shirts and possible graphic design to report back in February
 - Other docent event opportunities include Night Gallery openings at Tempe Marketplace and next to Crepe Bar at the IN FLUX location, NW corner of Rural and Elliot Roads

Agenda Item 13 – Suggested Topics for Future Meetings

- platFORM Initiative
- Art in Private Development Ordinance
- Maryann Corder Neighborhood Grant
- events and projects happening with other arts groups in the valley
- outreach and education for public art artists
- Arizona Commission on the Arts grant funding

Agenda Item 14 – Commission Members' Announcements

- **K. Nelson** is working with a Chair of the Phoenix Arts and Culture Commission to plan a meeting for all Chairs of area arts organizations to share ideas and events.
- **Susan Bendix** was one of 13 artists to be awarded up to \$5,000 for a 2015 Artist Research and Development Grant from Arizona Commission on the Arts.

<http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/press/arts-commission-awards-artist-research-and-development-grants-to-13-arizona-artists/>

- **Celina Chiarello** recently represented MIM in the Art Tank competition by Arizona Commission on the Arts, competing for \$10,000 in seed funding for arts-based ventures. <http://www.azarts.gov/opportunities-events/azarttank/>
- **City of Tempe Public Library and ASU** are holding the Tempe Community Writing Contest for three age groups in fiction, nonfiction, and poetry. Entries will be accepted January 15-February 15 through Submittable, with winners announced in the spring. <http://www.tempe.gov/city-hall/community-services/tempe-public-library/writing-contest>

Agenda Item 15 - Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting will be held at 6pm on February 11, 2015 at Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S Rural Road, Tempe, AZ 85282
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.**

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