



MINUTES OF THE
CHANDLER ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, April 15, 2025
5:00 PM

Commissioners Present: Tim Wiant, Mahfam Moeeni-Alarcon, Darrell Dick, Rosanna Lantigua, Shachi Kale, Julie Ray

Commissioners Absent: Caitlin Penny

Staff Present: Peter Bugg, Hanley Ange

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Julie Ray

UNSCHEDULED /SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES / CALL TO PUBLIC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Rosanna made the motion to approve the minutes from March 18, 2025. Darrell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION AGENDA

- a. Elect chair and vice-chair for 2025-2026
 - I. Peter explains terms are ending and new chairs need to be elected. Peter suggests either Mahfam or Shachi based on experience. After Mahfam explains she can't do it, Shachi agrees to being vice-chair. Darrell motions to approve Julie as chair and Shachi as vice-chair. Mahfam seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- b. Approve RFQ for Traffic Management Center building
 - I. Peter explains that the Traffic Management Center originally thought they wanted traffic boxes, but they would actually like traffic themed

artwork on the outside of the building. Darrell asks if the imagery on the RFQ will be used because of his concern about clarity in the RFQ. Peter explains they want the artwork to reference or use the imagery of signs and let the artist determine how the signs will be artistically included. Shachi asks if there is a size recommendation for this call and suggests adding size parameters. Peter agrees to add general dimensions. Tim asks for clarification if the artwork can be a mural or sculptural and agrees general dimensions would be helpful for applicants. Peter clarifies that the artwork can be either or a mural or sculptural and the call is intentionally vague. Rosanna motions to approve the RFQ. Tim seconds motion. Motion passes unanimously.

c. Approve RFQ for Outreach Activities

- I. Peter explains we approved funding for hiring 4 artists for outreach activities at the last meeting. Caroline will be in charge of managing this RFQ. Hanley will make the link for the form. Shachi points out the timeline of events on the outreach RFQ may be incorrect. After some discussion, Peter clarifies that the timeline is correct. Darrell motions to approve the RFQ. Tim seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

BRIEFING ITEMS

a. Emily Saenz Artwork

- I. Peter shares the artwork originally submitted for the banners outside city hall is an original watercolor using Meg Stapp's design as inspiration. Peter proposes included this artwork as an option when discussing what artworks we purchase next meeting.

b. Ongoing public art projects

a. Gazelle Meadows Park

- i. Peter shares the signage is moving along and we are waiting for engineering drawings. This is in progress, and Peter is hoping to get this done in the month of June.

b. Teaching Artists

- i. Julie shares that it was a great turnout and all the artists attended. Julie explains what each project looked like. Peter shares about 160 people attended the opening last Thursday. Funding was approved for this exhibition to happen again next year for a month-long exhibition at the Chandler Museum.

c. Vinyl wrap projects

- i. Peter shares that 7 new boxes were wrapped last week all along Arizona Avenue. Arts Commission paid for 6 of them and the 7th was paid for by DCCP. This morning Peter gave a tour with the ASU students that participated and it went well.
- d. Wall St Mural
 - i. Mahfam shares that the opening for this mural was phenomenal. The community members that attended were very excited and one particular community member who lives very close to the mural was proud of the history represented in the mural and its creation meant a lot to him. Peter shared the mural artists attended the reception while they were in town.
- e. Tumbleweed Recreation Center
 - i. May 17th at 9am is the opening reception for this installation.
- f. Juneteenth Celebration
 - i. Shaunte Glover will be the artist present at the Juneteenth celebration. Caroline is organizing this.
- b. Maintenance Projects
 - a. Oregon St Benches are looking faded so Peter is working to get these spruced up.

MEMBERS COMMENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rosanna shared that her nephew who has Pitt-Hopkins syndrome and autism was featured in the Phoenix Children Telethon news and in the Phoenix Children's newsletter for an artwork he created. Julie will be attending the board and commissions framework meeting. Tim shares that it has been a pleasure to serve with all the commissioners. Although he hasn't been a resident of Chandler in 4.5 years, he considers Chandler as his home. It has been fun and he looks forward to seeing what the commission does in the future. Tim shares he is planning on moving back to Florida. Julie shares that the Boards and Commissions appreciation reception is tomorrow morning and asked if anyone was attending and several commissioners said they were planning on going. Peter encourages everyone who can, to go. After current and upcoming exhibitions were reviewed, Rosanna asks for clarification on if commissioners can exhibit in the gallery and Peter confirms that they cannot.

CALENDAR

- a. Next regular meeting will be May 20, 2025 – virtual

INFORMATION ITEMS

Current Exhibitions

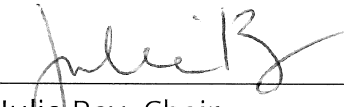
- a) March 22 – June 7 – *M|otherworlds* – Vision Gallery
- b) April 9 – April 19 – Artists in Schools Exhibition – CCA Gallery
 - a. Opening Reception: April 10, 5-7pm

Upcoming Exhibitions and Events

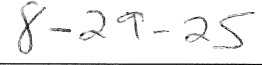
- a. April 15, 9a – Vinyl wrap celebration – Meet at Vision Gallery
- b. April 16, 7:30 – 8:30a – Boards and Commissions appreciation reception
- c. May 17, 9am – Public Artwork & Construction Dedication – Tumbleweed Recreation Center

ADJOURNMENT

- a) At 5:30 PM Peter Bugg adjourned the meeting.



Julie Ray, Chair



Date