



MINUTES OF THE  
CHANDLER ARTS COMMISSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, April 21, 2026  
5:00 PM

Commissioners Present: Rosanna Lantigua, David Wilkinson, Shachi Kale, Liz Taylor, Julie Ray, Ramon De La O

Commissioners Absent: Darrell Dick, Mahfam Moeeni-Alarcon

Staff Present: Peter Bugg, Hanley Ange, Niki Tapia

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Shachi Kale

#### UNSCHEDULED /SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES / CALL TO PUBLIC

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Julie made the motion to approve the minutes from March 17, 2026. Shachi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. 2026-2027 Budget
  - a. Peter gave a general overview of the 2026-27 budget, highlighting planned contributions and proposed expenditures. There are over a million dollars in planned contributions. This will be an action item to vote on at the next meeting. David asked if \$5,000 for "maintenance" covers the average yearly maintenance, and Peter answered that typically it does because usually insurance covers it as well. Rosanna and Shachi asked for clarification on the Forensics Services Building budget. Shachi asked if the commission needs to

use the entire budget in a fiscal year. Peter answered that this is not a “use it or lose it” situation and it’ll spill over into the next fiscal year if not used.

b. Forensic Services Budget

a. Peter would like to talk with Jeff Zischke about his proposed project budget and adjusting his artist fee and/or reach out to Daniel Nez and Miguel Godoy to let them know they have a slightly larger budget than planned. Liz shared that in her experience, artist fees typically cap out at 25% and Jeff’s 41% artist fee is higher than what’s normally seen. David asked clarifying questions about artist fees. Peter will reach out to Jeff to have a conversation about a smaller artist fee.

c. Pre-approved artist list

a. Peter proposed that we have a pre-approved artist list. This would involve us putting out a call and from this call compiling a list of artists to choose from when projects pop up with smaller budgets, shorter timelines, etc.

## ACTION ITEMS

a. Approve artist for Forensic Services Building

a. Due to additional funds in the budget, Peter proposed we approve Heidi Dauphin as an additional artist for this project. David approved Heidi as the additional artist for the Forensics Services Building. Shachi seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Approve funding for AJ Chandler Park sculpture relocation

a. Peter shared that he had a meeting where the relocation of this piece was quoted at 20k-40k. This estimate was based on a miscommunication, so Peter is waiting for a new quote, but it should be roughly around \$10,000. David motioned to approve the \$10,000 funds for the sculpture relocation to the Chandler Museum. Julie seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## BRIEFING ITEMS

a. Ongoing public art projects

I. Housing Murals

i. The murals are finished and the grand opening will be on Tuesday, June 9, at 9am

II. Traffic Boxes

i. Hanley shared that the boxes will be installed in the last week of April and the opening reception will be on May 6 at 9am. She will share more details next week.

III. AJ Chandler Park – Ostrich Sculpture

- i. Peter received the proposal from Matt today and will share it during the next meeting.
- IV. Goodyear Canal
  - i. Peter has a final design for this project that he is excited to share with the Mayor
- V. Traffic Management Center
  - i. No new updates on this. Artist has been picked, but the project is moving slowly.
- VI. Ostriches
  - i. Peter shared that the Serrano's ostrich has found a new home at Espo's and will be physically relocated soon. Peter is in early talks with Sprouts to hopefully find a new home for the vegetable ostrich.
- b. Maintenance projects
  - I. Geoffrey Gross - \$2,000

#### MEMBERS COMMENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rosanna shared that she is a juror for Greg Stanton's student art competition and whichever student wins gets to have their artwork on display in the Capital building. Peter shared that he went to Georgia earlier this month and went to the Atlanta Botanical Gardens. In addition to the plants, they had interesting public art that he was inspired by. This past weekend Peter went to the Desert Botanical Gardens and recommended going to check out the installation on display there, called "Desert Pulse." Shachi shared she also went to Desert Botanical Garden and was very impressed by the display and recommended it as well.

#### CALENDAR

- a. Next regular meeting will be May 19 - virtual.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS

##### Current Exhibitions

- a) *Is there Wi-Fi in Heaven? Grieving in the Digital Age* - March 28 - June 6, 2026 - Vision Gallery.
- b) *CUSD Annual Showcase* - April 22 - May 12, 2026 - Chandler Museum Agave Room
- c) *(Be)Longing* - February 14 - April 18, 2026 - CCA Gallery.

##### Upcoming Exhibitions and Events

a. *CUSD Annual Showcase* – April 22 – May 12, 2026 – CCA Gallery.

Reception: April 30

b. Art Social: Creative Lettering – May 9, 2026, 10a – 1p. Vision Gallery

c. *Off the Clock: Artwork by City of Chandler Employees* – May 23 – July 25, 2026 – CCA Gallery.

#### ADJOURNMENT

a) AT 5:50 PM Peter Bugg adjourned the meeting.

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Julie Ray, Chair

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Date