

Regular Meeting Minutes
Edmond Visual Art Commission Meeting
Tuesday, August 19, 2025
4:00 pm

City Hall, Main Street Conference Room A-22 E Main Street, Edmond, Oklahoma

The agenda for this meeting was posted in the City First Administration Building on August 14, 2025, at 9:26 AM.

EVAC Members Present: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, Maggie Murdock Nichols, and Jesse Warne

Members Absent: Robert Looman, and Amy Stephens

Staff Present: Cinda Covell, Madison Henderson, Steve Lawrence, Kathy Panas, and Devyn Dlugokinski

Guests Present: Taylor Wilson, Faithanna Olson, Radel Shadid, and Derel Shrock

1. Meeting called to order

Louise Cleary Cannon called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Introduction of visitors

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2025

Bruce Jackson motioned to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Michele Koopman.

Motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, and Maggie Murdock Nichols

Nays: None

4. Approval of Financials through July 2025

Cinda Covell provided the following information: FY 25-26 began July 1, 2025, with \$161,261.93 in partner matching funds; with only one month behind us, we have dropped that total to \$89,636.93. If all three items on this agenda are approved the total matching fund balance will be \$70,886.93. The unrestricted fund balance is \$3,068.50; the \$3,000.00 artists stipend for the Rodkey Flour Mill was removed, but it can be added back in if the opportunity arises. Maintenance Reserves are unchanged with a balance of \$83,226.10. “Stand” by Jane DeDecker has a Reserve of \$24,300.00 and could have more donations coming in by the end of the year.

Bruce Jackson motioned to approve the financials as submitted, seconded by Halee Biggs.

Motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, and Maggie Murdock Nichols

Nays: None

5. Presentation and Discussion of Park Conservancy Trust (PCT) financials through July 2025.

Included in the packet.

Jesse Warne entered the meeting room.

6. Discussion and Consideration of partnering with French Family Charitable Foundation for the purchase of “Kitty - Orange” a steel by Jeffie Brewer for a total purchase price of \$9,000.00 with EVAC partnering for half. Location TBD in the Uncommon Ground Sculpture Park.

Randel Shadid provided additional general information.

Michele Koopman motioned to approve partnering for the purchase of “Kitty-Orange” by Jeffie Brewer, seconded by Maggie Murdock. Louise Cleary Cannon called for an individual vote.

Motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, Maggie Murdock Nichols, and Jesse Warne

Nays: None

7. Discussion and Consideration of partnering with Randel & Dana Shadid for the purchase of “Grasshopper” a bronze by Marco Oviedo (1948-2023) for a total purchase price of \$18,000.00 with EVAC partnering for half. Location TBD in the Uncommon Ground Sculpture Park.

Randel Shadid provided additional general information.

Bruce Jackson to approve partnering for the purchase of “Grasshopper” by Marco Oviedo, seconded by Halee Biggs. Louise Cleary Cannon called for an individual vote.

Motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, Maggie Murdock Nichols, and Jesse Warne

Nays: None

8. Discussion and Consideration of partnering with Randel & Dana Shadid for the purchase of “Cardinal Vantage Point” a bronze by Don Rambadt for a total purchase price of \$10,500.00 with EVAC partnering for half. Location TBD in the Uncommon Ground Sculpture Park.

Randel Shadid provided additional general information.

Michele Koopman motioned to approve partnering for the purchase of “Cardinal Vantage Point” by Don Rambadt, seconded by David Dobson. Louise Cleary Cannon called for an individual vote.

Motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, Maggie Murdock Nichols, and Jesse Warne

Nays: None

9. Discussion of Mural Policies and Procedures. (e.g. Artist being paid for design work.)

10. Project Updates: waxing/refurbishing, delivery, installation, and signage, and dedications

Cinda Covell provided additional general information.

11. Activity and Update Reports: Fine Arts Institute, History Museum, Staff, UCO CFAD, Visit Edmond, and other public art events.

Jesse Warne provided an update of activities for the UCO College of Fine Arts and Designs.

Louise Cleary Cannon provided an update of activities for the Fine Arts Institute.

Devyn Dlugokinski provided an update of activities for Visit Edmond and Tourism.

12. Citizens Comments

None.

13. Comments from the Visual Arts Commission Chair and Members.

14. Adjournment

Jesse Warne motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Michele Koopman.

Motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Halee Biggs, Louise Cleary Cannon, David Dobson, Bruce Jackson, Michele Koopman, Maggie Murdock Nichols, and Jesse Warne

Nays: None

Louise Cleary Cannon adjourned the meeting at 4:47 pm.

Cinda Covell, Staff Liaison

Louise Cleary Cannon, EVAC Chairperson