



City of Glendale

5850 West Glendale Avenue
Glendale, AZ 85301

ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

January 26, 2023

6:00 PM

Glendale Public Library
5959 W Brown St
Glendale, AZ 85302

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Zomok called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Lorraine Zomok, Vice Chair
Jose Aguinaga, Commissioner
Jean Hailey, Commissioner
Nicole Riley, Commissioner
James Smith, Commissioner
Anne Marie Chaney, Commissioner

Absent: Nancy Lenox, Commissioner
Derrell Barber, Chair

Also Present: Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Arts & Culture Program Manager
Taylor Ingro, Arts & Culture Coordinator

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were received.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Arts Commission Minutes of December 15, 2022.

Motioned by Commissioner Jose Aguinaga, seconded by Commissioner Nicole Riley

AYE: Vice Chair Lorraine Zomok
Commissioner Jose Aguinaga
Commissioner Jean Hailey
Commissioner Anne Marie Chaney
Commissioner James Smith
Commissioner Nicole Riley

Other: Commissioner Nancy Lenox (ABSENT)

Chair Derrell Barber (ABSENT)

Passed

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Information: Introductions

Ms. Vahabzadeh introduced new Commissioners Smith and Chaney. All commissioners and staff shared a brief background.

b. Information: Update on Current Projects

Ms. Ingro gave an update on the following:

- Downtown Arts & Culture Fest: The event will be held on February 4, 2023 at Murphy Park and will feature art, entertainment, music, and food. Volunteer opportunities are available to represent the Arts Commission at a tented booth.
- Arts and Culture Calendar: Ms. Ingro announced she has been working on the new Arts and Culture calendar of events on the City's website.

Ms. Vahabzadeh provided information on the following:

- Downtown Arts & Culture Fest: In order to highlight downtown businesses, there will be a passport program to encourage festival attendees to visit local businesses. She thanked the Commission for approving funding for the event.
- The Plein Air Competition: On Saturday March 4th, the competition will be held at Sahuaro Ranch Park. The competition is held in conjunction with the Folk and Heritage Festival.

Ms. Vahabzadeh provided information on the following CIP Projects:

- Sierra Verde Park Well Site: Chair Barber and Commissioner Riley participated on the artist selection panel. The selected artist is John Randall Nelson, who has been working with the teams as well and will be providing two designs. Once the designs are ready, Councilmember Tolmachoff and the residents of the neighboring HOA will review and provide feedback. The artist will have approximately two weeks to incorporate the feedback into his designs and then the designs will come to the selection panel for final choices. The art will be installed on the walls and there may be a freestanding structure as well.
- Thunderbird Field Art Project: This is a project in Councilmember Malnar's district which will commemorate the Thunderbird Field site and its historical significance. The application period was open until January 20, 2023 for Arizona artists only. An artist selection panel will be chosen and Commissioners were welcomed to volunteer to participate.

Commissioner Chaney and Commissioner Smith volunteered to serve on the artist selection panel for the Thunderbird Field Art Project. Vice Chair Zomok volunteered to be an alternate.

c. Information: Tour of Interactive Public Art Map

Ms. Ingro gave an interactive tour of the new Arts and Culture calendar of events on the City's website. Commissioner Smith suggested a contest to encourage the public to visit all of the pieces, whereby they may win a prize for doing so. Ms. Ingro will explore the suggestion. Vice Chair Zomok complimented Ms. Ingro on the great work. Ms. Vahabzadeh praised Ms. Ingro

and a member of the City's GIS team, who worked together to complete the project quickly.

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Vice Chair Zomok noted that Commissioner Riley would be missed from the Commission, as this was her last meeting.

7. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Glendale Arts Commission will be held on February 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., in 2A Meeting Room, on the second floor of City Hall, 5850 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale, Arizona, 85301.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Zomok adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

The Arts Commission meeting minutes of January 26, 2023 were submitted and approved this 23rd day of February, 2023.

Mojgan Vahabzadeh
Arts & Culture Program Manager