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**MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
Main Library Large Meeting Room
5959 W. Brown Street Glendale AZ 85302
March 15, 2025
6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair James Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Present: James Smith, Chair
Nancy Lenox, Vice-Chair
Lizbeth Feria, Commissioner
Anne Marie Chaney, Commissioner

Absent: Derrell Barber, Commissioner
Elizabeth Medina, Commissioner

Also Present: Chris Taylor, Administrator, Arts & Culture

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

A citizen comment was stated by Sophia Gomez. She thanked the Arts Commission for their continued efforts, and asked that the Arts Commission consider a youth representative to be able and allowed to serve on the Arts Commission, highlighting the importance of youth activities and youth voices in the Arts and Culture.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Action: Arts Commission Minutes of March 18, 2025.

MOTION: To approve the Arts Commission minutes of March 18, 2025.

Motioned by Commissioner Anne Marie Chaney, seconded by Vice-Chair Nancy Lenox.

AYE: James Smith, Chair
Nancy Lenox, Vice-Chair
Lizbeth Feria, Commissioner
Anne Marie Chaney, Commissioner

Other: Derrell Barber, Commissioner (ABSENT)
Elizabeth Medina, Commissioner (ABSENT)

Passed

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Action: Library Card Design Contest Winners

Chris Taylor provided a brief recap of the Library Card Design Finalists, and the Commission discussed and made their recommendations amongst the finalists for the new Library Card Designs.

MOTION: To approve Samar Batarseh, Rosalie Blair, Dallas Parke, and Ripley Parke as the winners of the 2025 Library Card Design Project.

Motioned by Vice Chair Nancy Lenox, seconded by Commissioner Lizbeth Feria.

AYE: James Smith, Chair
Nancy Lenox, Vice-Chair
Lizbeth Feria, Commissioner
Anne Marie Chaney, Commissioner

Other: Derrell Barber, Commissioner (ABSENT)
Elizabeth Medina, Commissioner (ABSENT)

Passed

b. Information: Sensory Garden and Wayfinding Projects

Chris Taylor updated the Commission on the progress of the Elise McCarthy Sensory Garden, and the GFY Wayfinding project, including the updating of these projects into Capital Improvement Projects, with support from the Municipal Arts Fund. Conversations continue with both projects among the new Director and Deputy Director of Economic Development, as well as CIP project managers in Glendale.

c. Information: Update on Downtown Mural Campaign

Chris Taylor updated the Commission on the progress of the Downtown Mural Campaign Project, including 7 interested businesses owners and/or City-owned properties that could be included in the project. The Commission supported further research for concept renderings for each of the 7 proposed sites.

d. Information: Update on Performing Arts Grant Process for FY 26

Chris Taylor updated the Commission on the current progress with the FY 26 Performing Arts Grants, including their current availability for applications, as well as reminders about the scoring process and selection process, scheduled for June 17, 2025.

6. STAFF REPORTS

No staff reports.

7. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Chair James Smith shared his appreciation to the Commissioners and the Art Staff for their continued work with Arts and Culture with the City of Glendale.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Glendale Arts Commission will be on Tuesday, May 20th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., at the Vault Conference Room at the Civic Center Annex. 5752 W. Glenn Drive Glendale, AZ 85301

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the Arts Commission meeting of April 15th, 2025 at 6:45 PM.
Moted by Vice-Chair Nancy Lenox, seconded by Commissioner Anne Marie Chaney.

AYE: James Smith, Chair
Nancy Lenox, Vice-Chair
Lizbeth Feria, Commissioner
Anne Marie Chaney, Commissioner

Other: Derrell Barber, Commissioner (ABSENT)
Elizabeth Medina, Commissioner (ABSENT)

Passed

The Arts Commission meeting minutes of March 18th, 2025 were submitted and approved this 15th day of April, 2025.

Chris Taylor
Arts & Culture Administrator, Economic Development