

Arts & Culture Commission

Goodyear City Hall - Council Chambers
1900 N. Civic Square
Goodyear, AZ 85395



Tuesday, May 13, 2025

5:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Paulos called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Lisa Paulos; Commissioner Nancy Love; Vice Chairman Erin MacFarlane; Commissioner Kyoko Iwasaka; Commissioner Jerry Drake; Commissioner Laura Fries; Alternate Kimberly Hill

Absent: Commissioner Louise Privette; Commissioner Carole Palmer; Commissioner Cindy Braun

Staff Present: Deputy Director Guylene Ozlanski; Administrative Assistant Julie Pirece; Arts & Culture Programmer Dalton Attig; Arts & Culture Administrator Dawn Stipe

Attendees: Kiley Colvin, Youth Commissioner, Maggie Vettel, Nextera Energy, James Jackson, Nextera Energy, Jo Ho, Artist

MOTION BY Commissioner Jerry Drake, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Nancy Love to excuse the absence of Commissioner Louise Privette and Commissioner Carol Palmer

AYE: Chairman Lisa Paulos, Commissioner Nancy Love, Vice Chairman Erin MacFarlane, Commissioner Kyoko Iwasaka, Commissioner Jerry Drake, Commissioner Laura Fries

Passed - Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Before you begin to speak, identify yourself by clearly stating for the record, your name and address. This is the time for citizens who would like to address the Board on any non-agenda item within the jurisdiction of the Board. The Board will listen to comments, and may take any one of the following:

- Respond to criticism
- Request that staff investigate and report on the matter
- Request that the matter be scheduled for on a future agenda.

BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY Commissioner Nancy Love, **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Erin MacFarlane to approve the draft minutes from March 11, 2025.

AYE: Chairman Lisa Paulos, Commissioner Nancy Love, Vice Chairman Erin MacFarlane, Commissioner Kyoko Iwasaka, Commissioner Jerry Drake, Commissioner Laura Fries

Passed - Unanimously

2. CHAIRMAN REMARKS (LISA PAULOS, CHAIRMAN)

Chairman Paulos gave a rave review of the new Alice Cooper Teen Center. The facility is phenomenal and filled with beautiful art and music, a true blessing for Goodyear teens interested in the arts! Paulos attended the City's annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner with her fellow commissioners and a good time was had by all. Chairman Paulos and Deputy Director Ozlanski presented the Arts & Culture annual plan to the City of Goodyear Council. Council was supportive and thankful for the quality and quantity of work completed by the commissioners. Lastly, Paulos pointed out that traffic cabinets are currently being painted, adding little pops of color throughout the city! Deputy Director Ozlanski introduced Dawn Stipe who was recently promoted to Arts and Culture administrator. Stipe has been at the Goodyear Recreation Campus for four years, rounding out 20 years working in recreation. Administrator Stipe is excited to work with the commission and expand her knowledge of public art and events.

3. NEXTERA ENERGY ART PROJECT DISCUSSION (MAGGIE VETTEL, NEXTERA ENERGY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER)

Maggie Vettel the community engagement manager for Nextera Energy shared with the commission her company's desire to promote art in Goodyear. Pluto Battery Energy Storage Site is being built by Nextera in Goodyear Industrial Park off of Sarival. They would like to promote a local mural contest for the 16'x150' exterior wall. Vettel asked for assistance from the Arts & Culture Commission to help promote the call to artists as well as assist in the selection of the artwork submitted. Nextera will provide a \$10,000 scholarship to the winner as well as the materials needed to complete the mural.

4. HOLA WEST VALLEY TEMPORARY ART INSTALLATION PROPOSAL (ARTIST JO HO)

Jo Ho was selected by the City of Goodyear as the artist for the Hola West Valley Temporary Art Installation. The project will be installed at the Goodyear Recreation Campus for 19 months. Ho presented her project to the commissioners and explained how the art was inspired by local community engagement as well as the physical location of the aquatic center. The installation will be interactive as different elements within the "puzzle piece design" will rise and lower. The commissioners were impressed and intrigued by her unique approach to design and are looking forward to the final piece, wishing it weren't temporary.

5. **BULLARD WASH TRAIL ARTIST SELECTION (GUYLENE OZLANSKI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR)**

Deputy Director Ozlanski explained that the list of artists submitted by Kimley Horn for the trail expansion was reviewed by the Public Art Subcommittee, who narrowed the selection to three. The top three artists were ranked by preference but the commission would be in complete support of either of the three.

MOTION BY Vice Chairman Erin MacFarlane, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Kyoko Iwasaka to approve Creative Machines as the artist with Gordon Huether as the first alternate and Blessing Handcock as the second alternate for the Bullard Wash Trail.

AYE: Chairman Lisa Paulos, Commissioner Nancy Love, Vice Chairman Erin MacFarlane, Commissioner Kyoko Iwasaka, Commissioner Jerry Drake, Commissioner Laura Fries

Passed - Unanimously

6. **APPOINT PROGRAMS & EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR (LISA PAULOS, CHAIRMAN)**

The commissioners decided to table the appointment of a Programs & Education Subcommittee Chair until the subcommittee has met.

7. **ARTS UPDATE (GUYLENE OZLANSKI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR)**

- Provide FY26 Art Plan to Commissioners

Deputy Director Ozlanski briefly highlighted some of the upcoming events including: 2025 new traffic cabinets will be finished this week, P. W. Litchfield's Heritage Lecture series will be held on May 15th, Artists Reception for "Space Odyssey" art show currently displayed in the library and breezeway on May 22nd, the call for artists for the next show, "Kitchen Creations," is live now and the next Hot Coffee Art Lecture on May 27th will feature Troy Buck a master artist at Legoland in Tempe. Plans and preparations for Juneteenth Family Day celebration at the Goodyear Recreation Campus are underway including a Monster Mural for attendees to create as well as five individual murals painted live by local youth.

8. **COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE (LISA PAULOS, COMMISSIONER)**

Chairman Paulos appreciated the commissioners' willingness to share social media posts as well as contribute content. Paulos plans to have a Communications Sub-Committee meeting soon.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Comments, Commendations, Report on Current Events and Presentations by Board, Commission or Committee Members, staff or members of the public. The members may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02.

NEXT MEETING

Future meetings are tentatively scheduled as follows:

July 8, 2025
September 9, 2025
November 18, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Paulos adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Julie Pierce, Board Secretary

Date:_____