



**MARANA PUBLIC ART REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING
NOTICE AND AGENDA**

11555 W. Civic Center Drive, Marana, Arizona
Second Floor Conference Center
July 28, 2026, at or after 1:00 PM

Brett Wittenberg, Committee Member
Vic Hathaway, Committee Member
Fausto Burruel, Committee Member
Wayne Barnett, Committee Member
Elizabeth Horrigan, Committee Member
Jackie Craig, Committee Member
Andrea De La Cruz, Committee Member/Facilitator

SUMMARY MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Facilitator Andrea De La Cruz called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM

ROLL CALL

Ms. De La Cruz called the roll. Committee Member Elizabeth Horrigan was absent a quorum was present.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. De La Cruz asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Committee Member Craig moved to approve the agenda as presented. Member Hathaway seconded the motion. Motion passed, 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 26, 2026

Ms. De La Cruz asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2026 meeting.

Committee Member Craig moved to approve the minutes as presented. Committee Member Burruel seconded the motion. Motion passed, 6-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Facilitator **Andrea De La Cruz**

- Introduced **Julia Cramer, Assistant to the Town Manager**, to the Public Art Committee and announced that **Julia Cramer** will serve as the committee's new facilitator. **Andrea De La Cruz** will step down from the facilitator role as she assumes her new position as Assistant Town Manager.
- Provided an update on the rattlesnake sculpture to be installed at Silverbell Road and Twin Peaks Road. The sculpture is nearing completion and is expected to be installed in early August, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony anticipated in late August or early September. Committee members suggested holding a community naming contest in which Town employees would generate a shortlist of names and community members would vote for their favorite.
- Announced that the Town received one response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the 50th Anniversary Mural project from Ignacio Garcia. Ms. De La Cruz will finalize the contract, and Mr. Garcia will begin work in February, with the mural scheduled for completion in time for the Town of Marana Founder's Day Celebration in March 2027.
- Announced that the Public Art Committee Policy Amendments discussed at the previous meeting were approved by the Town Council. She reported that a question was raised during the Council meeting regarding funding available for public art. Ms. De La Cruz stated that the Town has a total of \$414,000 allocated for public art, of which \$250,000 is available for the current fiscal year.

GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Committee members conducted a site visit to the El Rio Preserve and selected a proposed location for the art installation. The committee reviewed and discussed the proposed Scope of Work for the forthcoming Request for Proposals (RFP). Following discussion, the committee agreed that the Scope of Work should clearly emphasize artwork centered on a bird or birds and bicycling. The committee also agreed to remove the emphasis on the community's cultural heritage and historical layers from the project description.

Committee Member Burruel suggested contacting Pima County to confirm its approval for the Town of Marana to use the proposed location for the installation. The committee agreed, and **Ms. De La Cruz** stated that she would obtain Pima County's approval before proceeding with the RFP.

*A motion was made by **Committee Member De La Cruz** to approve the Request for Proposals scope of work for the public art installation at El Rio Preserve, to include the changes discussed by the committee. **Committee Member Barnett** seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0*

B. Discussion regarding potential public art concepts, themes, and opportunities for installations along the Loop. The committee discussed several options for artwork along the loop including; linear overlaid art, and animal themed art concentrated near parks. The committee decided to take a tour of the loop to help determine the type and placement of the art.

C. Discussion and feedback regarding an art installation for the Tangerine Farms Project. **Committee Member Burruel** led a discussion asking for guidance on where the best place might be for art to include in the Tangerine Farms Project, as the Public Works Department would like to have a location before the project begins. Several possible locations were presented, and the Committee reached a general consensus that the art should be located in the proximity of the future Barnett Channel.

D. Discussion and feedback regarding public art concepts for the Sandario Road and Twin Peaks Road roundabout near Marana High School. **Ms. De La Cruz** reminded the committee members that the Town of Marana will be eligible to apply for the TABBY grant this fall in October or November. She suggested the art installation be placed

in the roundabout located at Sandario Road and Twin Peaks Roads and have a theme that invokes the spirit of Marana High School, possibly including their mascot, a tiger. The committee discussed several possibilities and how they can include the students in the decision. Ultimately it was decided to table the discussion, think about possibilities and discuss them at the next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Schedule a tour of the Loop to see where it would be best to place public art.
- Work with the county to determine if it is feasible to add art to the El Rio Preserve where the bike rack is currently located. Discuss RFPs submitted for the El Rio Preserve art installation.
- Discussion on the type of art the committee would like place at the Sandario Road and Twin Peaks Road roundabout near Marana High School and how to involve the students.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. De La Cruz asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Barnett moved to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Burrue seconded the motion. The motion passed, 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 2:03 PM.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the Marana Public Art Review Committee meeting held on July 28, 2026. I further certify that a quorum was present.



Andrea De La Cruz, Facilitator