

MUNICIPAL ART COMMITTEE
Tuesday, June 18th, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting
Avondale Visitor & Conference Center – Monument Hill Conference Room
11490 Civic Center Dr, Avondale, AZ 85323

Physical Access to the Conference Room will be available 30 minutes prior to the meeting.

1. ROLL CALL AND STATEMENT OF PARTICIPATION BY THE STAFF LIAISON

Meeting called to order 6:04pm

Board members: Chair Sara Ivey, Vice Chair Janice Graham, Boardmember Denise Thiel,
Boardmember Denise Stanfield

Staff: Dominic DeCono and Stephanie Flood

2. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCE

The Committee does not comment on items raised during Unscheduled Public Appearances; however, staff maybe directed to report back to the Committee at a future date or to schedule items raised for a future agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Municipal Art Committee will consider the approval of the minutes for the meeting on Wednesday, May 29th, 2024. The Committee will take appropriate action.

Motion: Vice Chair Graham
2nd: Boardmember Stanfield

Approved 4-0

4. PUBLIC ART – BLVD PARK & RIDE BUS STOP

The Municipal Art Committee will consider public art proposals for the bus stop at the BLVD Park & Ride.

Staff provided a presentation regarding multiple public art concepts at the newly constructed bus stop by the Parking Garage at the BLVD by the American Sports Center. Two concepts were presented before the committee that would be placed along the walkway from the bus stop to the parking garage.

The committee expressed concern that both concepts were not a good fit for this space and provided direction to staff to explore additional options for the space in the future.

The committee agreed to table a vote on both concepts.

5. PUBLIC ART – AMERICAN SPORTS CENTER

The Municipal Art Committee will consider a public art concept for the American Sports Center. The Committee will take appropriate action.

Staff provided a presentation regarding a proposed art concept at the American Sports Center. The concept was a combination of fabricated steel cubes in the shape of a heart that was created by a young local artist in Avondale with help from his father.

The art committee expressed concern that the art was a good fit for the space and believe the concept might make more sense at a different location.

The committee agreed to table a vote on this concept for the time being.

6. CULINARY ART EVENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Municipal Art Committee will consider for approval an art scholarship for culinary art events at city parks. The Committee will take appropriate action.

Staff provided a presentation on a proposal for an arts-based event at Alamar Park by an organization called the United Vendors Coalition, which is a group that previously ran weekly food truck events at Festival Fields in the fall of 2023. The group asked for \$5,000 for facility rental fees as well rental equipment to help host a variety of artist's work as well as food trucks, live music and other vendors at the event.

Motion: Chair Ivey

2nd: Boardmember Stanfield

Approved 4-0 to provide United Vendors Coalition \$5,000 from the Public Art Fund for future events at city facilities.

7. AVONDALE HISTORICAL PHOTOS DISCUSSION

Staff will provide a presentation to the Municipal Art Committee about future public art in the City of Avondale buildings regarding historical photos of the city.

Staff provided a presentation regarding a future historical photograph project that would place various historical photographs from Avondale's past within various city facilities. Staff stated that for the next meeting, they will provide an estimated cost as well as which buildings could support these framed photos and how many could feasibly hang.

8. COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS

The Municipal Art Committee and Staff may provide brief comments on current events and issues. This item is for information only. Items requiring discussion, deliberation, or legal action must be placed on a future Committee meeting agenda.

Boardmember Graham asked if pottery concepts could be explored for the Visitor & Conference Center public art project, which Dominic and Stephanie said could absolutely be an option for both the ViCC project and other future projects as well.

Dominic also made mention that staff will provide bigger projects before the committee that will have both a larger impact and footprint on the community.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be in person on Tuesday, September 17th, 2024, for discussion and action.

Motion: Vice Chair Graham

2nd: Boardmember Thiel

Approved 4-0

Meeting Adjourned 6:53pm


Sara Ivey (Oct 10, 2024 09:27 PDT)

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Brittany Garcia (Oct 8, 2024 17:39 PDT)

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