

Minutes TEMPE ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION December 12, 2022

Minutes of the Tempe Arts and Culture Commission (TACC) meeting recorded at 6:00pm on December 12, 2022, held at the Tempe Public Library and via Teams.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Jacqueline Bernatt
Jeff Davis – Chair
Maureen Kobierowski – Vice-chair
Harper Lines
Haylee Mills
Lisa Roach
Randall Schmidt
Jennifer Song
Justin Stewart
Ginny Sylvester

City Staff Present:

Brendan Ross, Deputy Director – Arts & Culture Division
Joy Higgins, Management Assistant – Arts & Culture Division
Kara Osburn, Financial Analyst – Arts & Culture Division
Rebecca Blume Rothman, Manager – Tempe Public Art
Eileen May, General Manager – Tempe Center for the Arts
Brenda Abney, Manager – Tempe History Museum
Maja Aurora, Manager – Tempe Community Arts

Guest(s) Present:

None

(MEMBERS) Absent:

William Carr

Call to Order

- **Jeff Davis**, TACC Chair, called the TACC meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

- None

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the October 10, 2022 Commission Minutes

J. Davis asked the commissioners to review an unapproved TACC minutes document dated October 10, 2022.

MOTION: Haylee Mills moved to approve the October 10, 2022 Tempe Arts and Culture Commission Meeting Minutes.
SECOND: Jacqueline Bernatt seconded
AYES: Jacqueline Bernatt, Maureen Kobierowski, Harper Lines, Haylee Mills, Jennifer Song, Justin Stewart, Randall Schmidt, Ginny Sylvester
ABSTAIN: Jeff Davis, Lisa Roach
NAYS: None
RESULT: Motion passed with an 8-2 vote
ABSENT: William Carr

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of the November 21, 2022 Commission Minutes

J. Davis asked the commissioners to review an unapproved TACC minutes document dated November 21, 2022.

MOTION: Maureen Kobierowski moved to approve the November 21, 2022 Tempe Arts and Culture Commission Meeting Minutes with edits.
SECOND: Jacqueline Bernatt seconded

AYES: Jacqueline Bernatt, Jeff Davis, Maureen Kobierowski, Harper Lines, Lisa Roach, Haylee Mills, Jennifer Song, Justin Stewart, Randall Schmidt, Ginny Sylvester
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None
RESULT: Motion passed with a 10-0 vote
ABSENT: William Carr

Agenda Item 4 – Update: Arts & Culture Division

- **Brendan Ross**, Deputy Director for Arts & Culture, introduced presentations by A+C staff.
- **Eileen May**, TCA General Manager, presented an update on the Tempe Center for the Arts programming plan to include goals, venue utilization forecasting, data driven decision making, and marketing. The TCA puts emphasis on highlighting the richness of the arts community in Tempe.
 - TACC members requested notice of when the Arts & Culture Division is presenting to Tempe City Council so that they can show up or tune-in for support.
- **Rebecca Blume Rothman**, Public Art Manager, gave a presentation about the upcoming development of a public art master plan that will provide an overall vision for Tempe Public Art and identify key opportunities to integrate public art into the cityscape.
 - A Request for Proposals (RFP) to develop a Public Art Master Plan for Tempe will be issued in 2023.

Agenda Item 5 – Election: 2023 TACC Chair & Vice-chair

- Appoint Maureen Kobierowski as 2023 TACC Chair – running uncontested
 - Unanimous approval
- Appoint Jacqueline Bernatt as 2023 TACC Vice-chair – running uncontested
 - Unanimous approval

Agenda Item 6 – Discussion: January 2023 TACC Retreat Planning

- The commission agreed upon holding the TACC retreat on January 30th from 4-7pm at Tempe Center for the Arts
- Maureen Kobierowski and Jacqueline Bernatt will meet with Brendan to plan the retreat agenda. Jeff Davis and Justin Stewart, both former TACC Chairs, volunteered to collaborate and advise as needed.

Agenda Item 7 – Discussion: Tempe Arts & Culture Awards

- **Joy Higgins**, Management Assistant, requested assistance from commissioners in the planning and accomplishment of the Arts & Culture Awards program, to be presented by the Mayor during the 2023 Neighborhood Celebration.
- Justin Stewart, Lisa Roach, and Randall Schmidt all expressed interest in helping with this program.

Agenda Item 8 – Official TACC Representation

a. Previous events

- Justin Stewart – TACC Liaison for the GP 2050 TAG; also, the Renaming Committee is close to securing new names for parks and streets.
- Lisa Roach – attended Tempe Festival of the Arts, will attend the Historic Preservation Foundation Xmas party
- Jacqueline Bernatt – attended Christmas at Petersen House with family; attending ArtLawn on Sunday: reach out to Jacqueline for info
- Haylee Mills – TACC liaison for Creamery & Escalante Park selection artist panel
- Maureen Kobierowski – attended Tempe Festival of Arts

b. Upcoming Events

- Dec 17 – *Slay Bells* – TCA
- Dec 17 & 18 – *Christmas at Petersen House*
- Jan 11 – Lunch Talk: *My Wa'alupe Yaqui Identity* – Tempe History Museum
- Jan 17 – High School Dance Residency Performance – Community Arts & TCA
- Jan 19 – *Earth & Sky* – Talk panel on Indigenous Land Stewardship – TCA Gallery
- January – *Arts in the Parks* Block Parties

Agenda Item 11 – Future Agenda Items

None offered

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm

Prepared by: Joy Higgins