



Minutes
TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION
April 20, 2015

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on April 20, 2015, within the Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Susan Bendix
Celina Chiarello – Vice Chair
Christine Cirillo-Ching
Hilary Harp
Anthony Johnson
Pat Konomos
Kiyomi Kurooka
Charlie Lee
David Lucier
Kelly Nelson – Chair
Celeste Plumlee

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator – Arts Grants, Public Art, Art in
Private Development
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant

Guest(s) Present:

Lauren Lee, artist – Jaycee Park Mural Project

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Robert Moore
Gail Natale

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- **Kelly Nelson**, TMAC Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

- **None**

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of the March 11, 2015 Commission Minutes

- **K. Nelson** asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **March 11, 2015**.
- **MOTION:** **David Lucier** moved to approve the **March 11, 2015 Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Meeting Minutes document** as presented.
- **SECOND:** **Christine Cirillo-Ching** seconded.

DECISION: Approved as presented.

Agenda Item 4 – Chairperson’s Announcements

- **K. Nelson** made the following announcements:
 - IN FLUX tour is coming May 3rd, 10am-4:30pm
<http://influxaz.com/cycle-5-tour.html>
 - the Fountain Hills tour fell through, the docent was ill

Agenda Item 5 – Jaycee Park Mural, Public Art

- **Lauren Lee**, artist, presented her proposal for the mural wall at Jaycee Park facing Hardy Drive. The mural, titled “Don’t Wake the Dreamer,” includes depictions of a sleeping woman covered in flowers, a constellation filled sky, and renditions of the “Three Birds” from her Roosevelt Row mural. Installation is slated for the month of May.
www.LaurenLeeFineArt.com
- **TMAC** feedback comments include:
 - appreciate the high quality of the artwork, the beautiful imagery, and the vibrant colors
 - like that different parts of the mural can be used as backdrops for photo opportunities
 - welcome the transference of “Three Birds” from Phoenix to Tempe
 - applaud the inclusion of native flower images and true constellations
 - believe the design will appeal to a wide age range
- **MOTION: Hilary Harp moved to approve Lauren Lee’s Daley Park Mural proposal as presented.**
SECOND: Celina Chiarello seconded.
DECISION: Approved as presented.

Agenda Item 6 – Updates; Public Art

- **M. Aurora** presented updates to the **Daley Park Mural**:
 - on May 4th the four finalists will present their proposals and the selection panel will choose an artist who will complete the mural this fall

Agenda Item 7 – Tempe Arts Plan

- The Tempe Arts Plan draft should be ready for review in May, 2015.

Agenda Item 8 – Public Art Docent Program

- **K. Nelson** gave updates on the Public Art Docent Program:
 - the spring Tempe Festival of the Arts saw higher per hour contact than the winter, the matching blue shirts and signs helped docents be noticed, one-hour shifts are best
 - may need to change sign to say “learn more” instead of “ask me” because many visitors ask questions about the festival
 - thank you to David and Charlie for completing the t-shirt orders
 - thank you to Rob for the time spent putting together the Public Art Walking Guide, a list of map edits was compiled by TMAC members

Agenda Item 10 – Commission Members’ Announcements

- **Kiyomi Kurooka** attended the 2015 State of the Neighborhood Awards, in which Mayor Mark Mitchell mentioned Public Art and the Tempe Arts Plan
- **C. Chiarello** informed that the orange trees that are being removed along Broadway will be given to local residents or made into compost

Agenda Item 13 - Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting will be held at 6pm on May 13, 2015 at Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S Rural Road, Tempe, AZ 85282
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.**

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