



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of Arts Commission, Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting

February 8, 2024

Time of Meeting

4:00 PM

Place of Meeting

Council Conference Room, City Hall

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

1.A Chair Eyre, Commissioner Dougherty, Commissioner Kooser, Commissioner Oostra, Commissioner Scheffer, Commissioner Snedeker, and Council Liaison David Miller. Welcome guests. Jack Carpenter, Morning Rotary and Reed Waite, Whippel Park

Absent: Commissioner Blackstock

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve February 8, 2024, Arts Commission meeting agenda.

By: Commissioner Scheffer

Seconded: Commissioner Snedeker

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Motion Passes 6-0

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve January 11, 2024, Arts Commission meeting minutes.

By: Commissioner Scheffer

Seconded: Commissioner Eyre

In Favor: Eyre, Kooser, Oostra, Scheffer, Snedeker

Abstain: Jerry

Opposed: None

Motion Passes 5-1-0

4. Budget/Financial Report

4.A Review 2024 Arts Commission Spending Plan/Budget

5. New Business

5.A Grant Opportunities: T-Mobile Hometown Grant and NEA

Reviewed both opportunities and sub-committee will meet to create action items and work on the fulfillment of grant. Subcommittee will need to identify a specific project for the grant opportunity.

5.B Art Treasure Discussion and Planning

This will be a May/June item. Commissioners will bring in recommendations for nominations of the next Art Treasure by the next meeting. Commissioner Snedeker would like to see this open to the public for the public to nominate for

Art Treasure. Staff will check policy—and check with previous staff liaison for procedures. Commissioner Snedeker would like to see nominations from both the commission and the public. Staff liaison will work with PIO on an open public submission. Deadline for nominations, April 30th Announcement in May.

- 5.C Unity Park Update: Timeline and Art Action Plan: Staff reviewed with Commission.

6. Unfinished Business

- 6.A Call to Artist—Content Update Discussion—on hold until permanent art is more defined.

7. Subcommittee Business

7.A

1. Ellensburg Arts & Cultural Alliance: Alex/Jeff
Commissioner Eyre and Staff shared that the City of Ellensburg has been awarded Creative District designation from ArtsWA.
2. Funding: Jerry/Jill-no report given
3. Public Art: Alex/Jerry-no report given
4. Advocacy/Public Relations: Brian/Jeff-Commissioner Kooser shared a PR for the 2024 Project Grant Awards. Commissioners will review and get edits over to staff to promote.
5. Art Walk: Courtney/Jill/Erin-see updates below.

- 7.B Art Walk Venue Meeting: Monday, Feb. 12th at 4:30-6:00 pm
Commissioner Oostra reviewed outreach regarding venue meeting and ideas for the Art Walk 25th Anniversary Festival with commission and then will share at the venue meeting.

Commissioner Snedeker asked: “Do you see this as something that Arts Commission produces, or would we partner with a community organization to produce? This remains undecided and more discussion is needed.

- 7.C Art Walk Shuttle—Commissioner Oostra reviewed an idea of adding a local shuttle service to bring in people from other parts of the counties to experience the Ellensburg Art Walk. Commissioners discussed.

8. Citizen Comment

No citizen comment to report

9. Staff Report

Staff report supplied to Commissioners for review.

10. Council Representative Update

No Council report given

11. Adjournment

Time: 5:07

7. Staff Update/Discussion Items

7.A 2023 Grant Reimbursement Updates

7.B 2024 Grant Award Updates

8. Commission Representative Update

9. Adjournment