



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Meeting Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes of Arts Commission, Regular

November 14, 2024

4:00 PM

Council Conference Room, City Hall

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

Start time:

- 1.A Chair Eyre, Commissioner Marchand, Commissioner Dougherty, Commissioner Oostra, Commissioner Snedeker, Commissioner Scheffer, Commissioner Kooser, Council Member Miller. Welcome any guests.

Guest: None

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve November 14, 2024, Arts Commission meeting agenda.

By: Commissioner Scheffer

Seconded: Commissioner Oostra

In Favor: All in favor

Opposed: None

Motion Carries

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3.A Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve October 10, 2024, Arts Commission meeting minutes as presented.

By: Commissioner Scheffer

Seconded: Commissioner Marchand

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Motion Carries

4. Budget/Financial Report

4.A YTD 2024 Arts Commission Budget Update

4.B 2025 Proposed Arts Commission Spending Plan

Staff gave update of current 2024 Art Commission budget and reviewed the recommendation for the 2025 Arts Commission Spending Plan that will be presented to City Council for approval on Monday, November 18th.

5. New Business

5.A PA-14 Odd Fellows/IOOF Alley Mural Review

Motion to approve mural permit concept for the Odd Fellows alley as presented in PA-14 submitted by Dr. Eliann Carr of the Ellensburg Police Department.

By: Commissioner Scheffer

Seconded: Commissioner Oostra

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Motion Carries

Note: This mural will be the work of several street artists to cover existing gang graffiti in the alley noted in the application.

5.B Shooters Courtyard Mural

P24-103 Mural Permit Application submitted by Michael Morgan was not approved as presented by the Arts Commission.

The commissioners question the appropriateness of use of copyrighted material and if applicant secured permission for the use of the image.

Applicant will need to provide proof that there is no infringement of any copyright laws prior to Arts Commission approval.

Staff will reach out to applicant to see if they secured permission to use the image.

5.C 2025 Arts Commission Proposed Projects-Draft—see notes on page 24

Commissioners discussed ideas for projects and programming items to discuss further at the upcoming Arts Commission retreat in January.

Commissioner Snedeker suggested that for 2025, commissioners and staff attend various grant projects as they are completed and report back to the commission. Additional discussion on how the commission can track events, projects, to gather and collect data to monitor and improve programming.

6. Unfinished Business

6.A 2024 Project Grant Updates: Staff updated during budget update.

6.B 2025 Poet Laureate Selection Update

Commissioner Eyre reviewed the selection process regarding the Poet Laureate applicants and shared the concerns with the commission and subsequent decision to continue the search for the Poet Laureate as the three candidates were not qualified to fulfill the role. Each selection committee member shared their concerns as well and confirmed the decision to continue the search to find the right candidate to fill the role of Poet Laureate.

6.C Arts Commission Retreat Planning

The Arts Commission Retreat will be held on January 9th Arts Commission Retreat at The Ink tentatively, 4:00-6:00 pm.

Staff will prep agenda and 2025 Proposed EAC Work Plan and send out to commissioners ahead of time for review.

7. Subcommittee Business

7.A

1. Ellensburg Arts & Cultural Alliance: Alex/Staff
2. Funding: Jerry/Jill-Discussed changes to the grant agreement that will need to be update for the 2026 cycle. Also mentioned that the T-Mobile Grant deadline is Dec. 31st—is there a project that we can apply for? Trails? Parks & Rec.
3. Public Art: Alex/Jerry-Nothing to Report
4. Advocacy/Public Relations: Brian/Jeff—nothing to report
5. Art Walk: Jill/Erin: Will be planning a venue meeting in January
6. Poet Laureate: Marie/Jeff: Update given on previous agenda item
7. Creative District: Staff report provided in agenda packet

8. Citizen Comment: No citizen comment provided

9. Staff Updates/Discussion Items

9.A Commissioner Terms Expiring in 2025: Alex Eyre, Jerry Dougherty, Brian Kooser, Erin Oostra

9.B City Council Arts Commission Annual Report and Presentation: Monday, November 18th:

- 2025 Project Grant Recommendations
- 2025 Arts Commission Spending Plan
- Annual Report

9.C Creative District Update

10. Council Representative Update: Nothing to report.

11. Adjournment

Time: 5:17 pm

