

MINUTES

Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC) Wednesday, October 23, 2024 – Hospitality Suite

Commissioners Present: Matthew Janson (Chair), Robbie Breaux (Vice Chair), Scott Beilfuss, Pamela Blythe, Ron Cloyd, Julie Matthews, Kelley Raymond, Porcia Silverberg, Cynthia Zaitz

Commissioners Absent: Robbie Helm, Hank Braxtan

Others Present: Haley Van Camp, Jonathan Wheatley, Sandra Zoldowski, Amy Gibson, Dave Wall

Chair Matt Janson called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. Ron Cloyd moved to approve the September 25 meeting minutes, the motion was seconded by Porcia Silverberg, and the motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

Dave Goe gave a final grant presentation on the Art on the Corner 40th Anniversary video and poetry projects that launched the beginning of October during Art Fest.

Discussion was had regarding the Horizon Drive and G Road roundabout artwork proposals that had been previously reviewed by the Horizon Drive District. There was some discussion on Colorado preference points, and how to assign them. Based on the total assigned points for each artist, Cynthia Zaitz moved to recommend the artists with the highest three scores: Seth Palmiter, Joe Norman, and Mr. Hanimal. Porcia seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. The final three artists will be reviewed by the Horizon Drive District during their next meeting on November 20, and a final selection will be made.

Discussion was had regarding the updated matrix criteria document that was provided by Haley Van Camp. Additional edits will be made based on the discussion and it will be brought back to the Commission for approval for the GJCAC special meeting on November 20.

Haley gave an update that there was still one submission regarding the Strategic Cultural Plan accomplishments form that had been emailed out to arts and culture organizations in the area. Commissioners were encouraged to look at the list of organizations that were contacted and follow up with them.

CITY STAFF REPORTS/UPDATES

Haley gave a brief update on the 4th and 5th Street murals with pictures of the completed murals, as well as the current number of proposals submitted for the 24 ½ and F ½ roundabout (4). Haley also gave a reminder that the Board and Commission Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on Monday, December 9 at 5:30pm at the CMU ballroom, and to keep an eye out for an invitation that will include an RSVP.

COMMISSION UPDATES

Matt and Ron mentioned they had attended the Grand Valley Open Studios Tour and enjoyed speaking with many artists and visitors. Kelley mentioned she attended the Art on the Corner reception and commented on the positive energy and turnout. Scott Beilfuss mentioned the City Council is working on budgets, and there was brief discussion around the Art in Public Places Program: 1% for the Arts resolution. There was also brief discussion on the arts corridor task that is mentioned in the Strategic Cultural Plan.

A special meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20 at 4pm at the Hospitality Suite at Stocker Stadium. As there was no further business, Ron moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m., Cynthia seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Van Camp