

**CITY OF GLENDALE, ARIZONA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ARTS COMMISSION
HELD WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2010
LIBRARY BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, 2ND FLOOR
5959 WEST BROWN STREET
4:00pm.**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairperson Darrell Criswell. Commission members Scott Mink, Janine Barbour, and Paul Dagostino were in attendance. Commissioner Dagostino arrived at 4:30pm; therefore the Commission had a quorum to begin the meeting. Representing city staff were Sue Komernicky, Library and Arts Director, Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Library & Arts Coordinator and Judy Fleming, Public Arts Coordinator. Commissioners Finnerty and Lesser were absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

A **MOTION** was **MADE** by Commission member Barbour to **APPROVE** the minutes of the October 20, 2010 meeting with a correction to Commissioner Barbour comment on the last page to read, “Glendale is the only city in Maricopa County that does not have an Arts Center”. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Commission member Dagostino and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time the Commission will hear comments from the public; however, the Commission may not discuss or consider items not appearing on the agenda unless an actual emergency exists. No public comments.

PERFORMING ARTS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Staff presented information regarding the 2011 – 2012 Performing Arts Partnership Program. The development of this program is to motivate, increase and support the performing arts in the City of Glendale. The Arts Commission awards partnership support up to \$4,000 for projects in the fields of theater, dance and music. To be considered for this partnership program, the applicant must reside in or work in partnership with an organization domiciled within the city limits of Glendale. Chairperson Criswell asked for a motion

A **MOTION** was **MADE** by Commission member Barbour to **APPROVE** the 2011 – 2012 Performing Arts Partnership Program with the approved budget of up to \$35,000. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Commission member Mink and carried unanimously.

ARTS COMMISSION REVIEW OF UPCOMING PUBLIC ART PROJECTS

Staff presented information and requested volunteers to serve on the upcoming Public Arts Project panels. Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Library & Arts Coordinator, reviewed the request for two Arts Commission members to participate in review and artist selection for each of the projects. She explained that more information will be forthcoming once the meetings are scheduled. The volunteer panels are as follows:

- Plein Air Painting Event – Commissioners Mink and Lesser
- Sahuaro Ranch Park Entry Monument Project – Commissioners Barbour and Criswell
- Glendale Jazz and Blues Festival – Commissioners Dagostino and Finnerty

Chairperson Criswell asked for a motion.

A MOTION was MADE by Commission member Barbour to APPROVE the Selected Arts Commission Panels for the three Public Arts Projects. The MOTION was SECONDED by Commission member Dagostino and carried unanimously.

DECEMBER, 2010 ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

The Arts Commission will consider vacating the December Arts Commission Meeting since the Commission does not usually meet in December. Chairperson Criswell asked for a motion.

A MOTION was MADE by Commission member Dagostino to VACATE the December 2010 Arts Commission Meeting. The MOTION was SECONDED by Commission member Mink and carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC ART PROJECT UPDATES:

Public Safety Memorial

Sue Komernicky, Library and Arts Director provided information on the Public Safety Memorial project. She stated the dedication is scheduled for the first week in January of 2011. Staff will be sending out invitations.

Glendale Jazz and Blues Festival

Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Library Graphics Coordinator, reported on the Annual Jazz & Blues Festival held at Murphy Park and the Civic Center Plaza. This is an art opportunity for four artists or artist teams to produce site specific artwork. The city's goal with this temporary public art project is to bring another dimension to the festival using contemporary artists and their work. The budget is \$4,500 per artist or artist team and must cover all expenses. Ms. Vahabzadeh stated the call to artists has had a low response, with only one application submitted. However, staff is planning to extend the deadline to December 10, 2010.

Plein Air Painting Event

Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Library Graphics Coordinator, presented this item. She stated the Arts Commission and the Marketing Department will sponsor the 2011 Plein Air Painting Event at the Glendale Chocolate Affaire. It will be held in downtown Glendale, on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2011. She indicated press release information has been sent to several organizations. She will continue to update everyone as information becomes available.

Sahuaro Ranch Park Entry Monument

Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Library Graphics Coordinator, presented this item. She explained the Glendale Library and Arts Department, in collaboration with the Glendale Parks and Recreation

Department, seeks to hire an Arizona artist or artist team to design, fabricate and install three public art entry monuments for Sahuaro Ranch Park. The art budget is all-inclusive and will not exceed \$40,000 for the total project and must cover all expenses. She noted that the call for artists had been completed. The deadline for receipt of applications is December 20, 2010.

Adult Center Exhibit Updates:

Judy Fleming, Public Arts Coordinator, presented information on the Adult Center. The center will be featuring Art League West starting November 1, 2010. The Glendale Unified High School District will be featured at the center beginning in February through March 2011, for both faculty and students.

Maintenance Updates:

Judy Fleming, Public Arts Coordinator, reported that routine maintenance and cleaning of the Veteran's Memorial was completed before the ceremony on Veteran's Day. She indicated that all Glendale sculptures had been inspected and were in good shape.

Other Staff Updates

Sue Komernicky, Library and Arts Director, reported on the Veteran's Day Ceremony celebration. She stated the event was nicely done and well attended.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

The Arts Commission wished everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Glendale Arts Commission will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2011, at 4 p.m. at the 2nd Floor Board Conference Room, Glendale Public Library, 5959 West Brown Street, Glendale, Arizona.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was MADE by Commission member Barbour to ADJOURN the meeting. The MOTION was SECONDED by Commission member Mink and carried unanimously.

As there were no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Komernicky, Recording Secretary
Library/Arts Director