



**MINUTES**  
**KEIZER PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION**  
**Tuesday, May 19, 2026**  
**Keizer Event Center ~ Council Chambers**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Deborah Sisco called to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was noted as follows:

**Present:**

Deborah Sisco, Chair  
Claire Juran, Vice Chair  
Mario Salazar  
Kim Steen (6:12)  
Stacy Madsen  
Cassidy Kerner, Youth Liaison  
Lore Christopher, Council Liaison

**Absent:**

Becka Bonner  
Jim Merrill

**Staff Present:**

Adam Brown, City Manager  
Dawn Wilson, Deputy City Recorder

**2. Annual Volunteer Recognition ~ by Kim Freeman**

Kim Freeman, member of the Volunteer Coordinating Committee, recognized the Keizer Public Arts Commission volunteers with a speech celebrating the volunteers and thanking them for all their work. She read the Annual Volunteer Month Proclamation and presented Certificates of Appreciation and City of Keizer pens to each of the members.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**a. March 2026**

Claire Juran moved for approval of the March 2026 Minutes. Stacy Madsen seconded. Motion passed as follows: Sisco, Juran, Salazar, and Madsen in favor with Merrill, Bonner, and Steen absent.

**4. Appearance of Interested Persons**

Stacey Perry, Environmental Education Coordinator for the City of Keizer, presented on the Storm Drain Art Program in an effort to increase outreach and asked the Commissioners how they felt the program was going and how she could support their efforts. She shared about storm drain requirements and compliance. She asked about extending the deadline to receive artwork submissions.

It was noted that the artwork should be approved for regulatory purposes by the Environmental Division before it goes before the Keizer Public Arts Commission reviews the artwork.

The Commissioners discussed the artwork submitted by Mario Salazar for the Storm Drain Art Program.

Kim Steen moved to approve the artwork as accepted pending the City of Keizer's environmental services approval. Chair Sisco seconded. Motion passed as follows: Sisco, Juran, Steen, and Madsen in favor with Merrill and Bonner absent with Salazar abstained.

Kim Steen moved to approve the deadline to August 1st. Chair Sisco seconded. Motion passed as follows: Sisco, Juran, Salazar, Steen, and Madsen in favor with Merrill and Bonner absent.

**5. Storm Drain Art Program ~ Approval of Artwork Submissions**

a. **Submissions** This item was discussed under Appearance of Interested Persons.

**6. Gallery Display Schedule**

a. **2026 to 2027 Exhibit Schedule** The 2026 and 2027 exhibit schedule was discussed.

b. **Artwork Submitted by Maya Merrill for June/July Display** The artwork submitted by Maya Merrill was discussed. Discussion ensued on the two art display options for June and July.

Kim Steen moved to accept Maya Merrill's artwork to be displayed in the June/July emerging artist display. Stacy Madsen seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Sisco, Juran, Salazar, and Madsen in favor with Merrill and Bonner absent.

It was noted that Councilor Christopher had contacted Michelle Myers, who was a watercolor artist, to see if she wanted to have a display in June and July.

**c. Consider Displaying the KeizerFEST Iris Pictures for June/July**

Kim Steen moved to have the KeizerFEST Iris pictures displayed in June and July of 2026. Claire Juran seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Sisco, Juran, Salazar, and Madsen in favor with Merrill and Bonner absent.

**7. Grant Efforts**

There were no grant efforts.

**8. Review of Arts Commission Budget**

The Arts Commission Budget was reviewed.

It was noted that the artwork was redone for the first utility box wrap artist (Enrique Sepulveda), and he approved the artwork. The installation cost to replace the wrap would probably be split between the City and the printer.

Discussion ensued about asking the Council for a 90-day extension for KPAC to spend its funds because of pending programs, working with artists, and KPAC was trying to have three utility box wraps installed.

Councilor Christopher would arrange for the story poles to be preserved.

There was discussion on the Street Art Program and having students help with it.

It was noted \$1,000 was needed for the mural, plus a couple hundred dollars for paint. Councilor Christopher would have concept artwork ready for consideration at the June meeting. She shared that the building owner had approved the building for a mural.

The members changed their June 16th meeting to June 2nd.

It was noted that Classic Homes would pay for the utility box wrap where Deborah Sisco's artwork would be displayed.

## **9. New/Other Business**

### **a. Relocating Artwork on River Road, Chemawa, and Lockhaven**

Chair Sisco shared that approval was received to relocate the Rejoice statue to the Crossroads Church location. It was noted that the City would need to install a base. Chair Sisco would work with the pastor on getting an easement and agreement.

It was suggested that each member bring back one art location at the next meeting.

It was noted that having a mural on the Bi-Mart wall was pending Council's approval.

It was suggested to use the Eagles retaining wall for a mural.

Kim Steen thought that Union Gospel Mission of Salem Simonka Place should have a sculpture.

It was noted that Summer Breeze needed a new plaque, and that the members would check to see if other statues also needed new plaques.

Councilor Christopher shared a letter to the Community Diversity Engagement Committee (CDEC) regarding comments made by a KPAC member. She asked members to review the letter and consider a response, noting the member was authorized to discuss ongoing programming and current projects only, not the makeup of the CDEC. The letter stated the comments were not authorized by KPAC and were not intended to be disrespectful. The letter included an apology. Councilor Christopher

recommended that the KPAC Chair send a letter to the CDEC Chair.

Claire Juran moved to authorize a letter to be sent to the CDEC from our committee apologizing and moving forward. Kim Steen seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Sisco, Juran, Salazar, and Madsen in favor with Merrill and Bonner absent.

Stacy Madsen made a friendly amendment to say with the addition of supporting the CDEC's work. The mover and seconder accepted. The amendment passed as follows: Steen, Sisco, Juran, Salazar, and Madsen in favor with Merrill and Bonner absent.

Chair Sisco would edit the letter and send it to the Deputy City Recorder to send to Chair Kunz of the CDEC.

**10. Member  
Reporting to  
Council ~  
Deborah Sisco on  
June 1st at 6pm**

Deborah Sisco would report to the Council on June 1st.

**11. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at: 7:20 p.m.

Minutes approved: 06/02/2026