



MINUTES
KEIZER PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
Tuesday, March 19, 2024
Keizer Civic Center ~ Council Chambers

- 1. Call to Order**

Chair Kim Steen called to order at 6:03 p.m. Roll call was noted as follows:

Present:	Absent:
Lore Christopher, Vice Chair	Derek Bish
Marilyn Wood	Kim Steen, Chair
Kat Thoreson	
Laura Reid	
Deborah Sisco	Staff Present:
Katie Klein, Student Committee	Adam Brown, City Manager
Liaison	Dawn Wilson, Deputy City Recorder
- 2. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Kat Thoreson and Kim Steen were elected by unanimous consent to serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.
- 3. STRATEGIC PLAN ~ Feedback from Members ~ Council Liaison will Lead the Discussion**

Discussed out of order.

Discussion began with the safety and support of services on page 22 of the Strategic Plan. This has relevance to the Arts Commission if there were vandalized or damaged artwork. The Commission would want to be informed if any public art has been damaged, tagged, or defaced.

Lore Christopher suggested providing feedback when the Strategic Plan would be closer to completion. Councilor Reid explained that the Strategic Plan was created by a third-party consultant, which used feedback from staff and the Council.

The Commissioners agreed to read through the Strategic Plan starting at page 22 and provide comments as Public Arts Commissioners at the next meeting.

The Commission would like to consider incorporating the Arts Commission Master Plan with the Strategic Plan.

a. Draft Strategic

Plan Review

4. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilor Laura Read moved for approval of the December 2023, January and February 2024 Minutes. Deborah Sisco seconded. Motion passed as follows: Christopher, Thoreson, Wood, Reid, and Sisco in favor with Steen and Bish absent.
- a. **December 2023**
- b. **January 2024**
- c. **February 2024**
5. **Gallery Display Schedule**
 - a. **Artist Joel Nickel Submission for April & May to be displayed in the Gallery ---> NEED MOTION**

The Commission reviewed pieces submitted for display prior to the meeting.

Councilor Reid moved to accept Joel Nickel for the April and May display. Marilyn Wood seconded. Motion passed as follows: Christopher, Thoreson, Wood, Reid, and Sisco in favor with Steen and Bish absent.
 - b. **June-July ~ Gary Hlastals (request sent on 11/02/23 to receive pictures of artwork by 05/08/24)**

**August-September
~ Iris
Festival/KeizerFest
Annual Display**

**October-November
~ Native American
Indian Display**
6. **Grant Efforts**

None.
7. **Review of Arts Commission Budget**

The budget was discussed along with the need to apply the annual sealant for the story poles and Sasquatch, and they needed a 24-foot lift to reach the story poles. The lifts cost \$500 per day and \$200 to be delivered. City Manager Adam Brown would look into any lift contracts that the City may have.

City Manager Brown stated that the box wrap art had City and printing costs and would have additional install costs for an approximate total cost of \$500 to \$600. He suggested that in the future, the Commission should have

artwork submitted and then choose it rather than commission it. He stated that the box wrap art dimensions were 114 x 58.

Lore Christopher moved for a motion to get the schematic from Adam to solicit for artwork and that the Arts Commission would pay them \$200 if selected to be on a utility box. Marilyn Wood seconded. Motion passed as follows: Christopher, Thoreson, Wood, Reid, and Sisco in favor with Steen and Bish absent.

a. March 2024

- b. How much does KPAC need in next year's budget & how will this money be spent -- > NEED MOTION.** The Commission discussed an upcoming budget and how the funds would be spent. Discussion ensued around having QR codes for artwork. The QR Codes would take folks to the Keizer Community Foundation that has contact info for the artists. Concern was raised about who posts information on non-City websites and to maybe add verbiage on the City's contracts about the QR Codes going to non-City websites.

Councilor Reid stated that she would like to have a member of the Foundation on this Commission. Lore Christopher said that Kim Steen would be applying to serve on the Foundation.

Lore Christopher moved for a motion requesting the same budget amount of \$6,000 to include \$1,000 for art preservation of wood art, \$2,000 for utility box art for approximately four utility boxes, \$2,000 for additional statue(s) on River Road and/or a mural to wrap around the bathroom walls at Keizer Rapids Turf Field, \$700 to purchase art for the Civic Center, and \$300 for the Holiday Card Contest. Seconded by Marilyn Wood. Motion passed as follows: Christopher, Thoreson, Wood, Reid, and Sisco in favor with Steen and Bish absent.

- 8. New Business** Discussion ensued around non-wall and student art, such as basket making and rain sticks because they could be displayed in the glass case.

They also discussed having 20 or more murals in the gallery. Councilor Reid would like to get something in writing like the other artists. Lore Christopher shared that the original art would be from Chemawa School, so the City could receive their permission.

Kat Thoreson would check on the possible art from a local church's gallery.

The Commission discussed extending the length of art displayed in the gallery from two to three months. Councilor Reid suggested that we give attention to the returning artists.

9. Other Business

- a. Keizer Public Art Walk brochure ~** Chair Kat Thoreson confirmed with the Commission its purpose for the brochure. She would propose a walking map. Discussion ensued about

- updated by Kathy Thoreson ~ she would like to discuss a curated walking map of the artworks.** adding additional artwork to the brochure and it to the City's website. It was suggested to show more art and have fewer words. They discussed having an art walk as part of the parade in May.
- City Manager Adam Brown agreed that the brochure art could be on the City's website.**
- b. Update on the City Electrical Boxes** Previously discussed under item 7.
- c. Mockup Sign to be placed behind the Dais in the Council Chambers** City Manager Adam Brown provided a mockup sign by Artist Ric Smith for the proposed backdrop to the Council dais. Discussion ensued about the design, font, color, and that it would be lightweight to attach to the drywall. There was a consensus to receive one or two more mockups.
- d. Consider Reopening the 2024 Holiday Card Contest ~ No submissions were received & multiple reminders were sent.** Discussion ensued about no 2024 Holiday Card Contest submissions. The Arts Commission asked Deputy City Recorder Dawn Wilson to contact last year's submissions and invite them to have their submissions re-entered for 2024 and then bring them back to the Arts Commission for consideration.
- If none of the 2023 entries want to be included in the 2024 contest, then the Commission may extend the 2024 Holiday Card Contest.
- 10. Adjourn** Meeting adjourned: 7:21 p.m.
- Minutes approved: 05/21/2024

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