
AMENDED AGENDA

ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA

City of Chico Arts Commissioners: Stephen Cummins, Daniela Ferguson, Mary Gardner, Louis Nava, Jedrek Speer, Vice-Chair Kimberly Ranalla, and Chair Monica McDaniel

Meeting of April 13, 2022 – 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting will be held virtually via Zoom

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Event Name: **Arts Commission Meeting 01-12-2022 4:30 PM**

Date/Time: **Wednesday, January 12, 2022 4:30 pm**

Event URL: <https://zoom.us/j/95549510595?pwd=Qjk1YWtTeUN4OW9rRWRjd1BxdE9lUT09>

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 2.1 Approval of Arts Commission Minutes from January 12, 2022.
3. **STATUS OF THE 2019-2020 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANT CYCLE END OF YEAR REPORTS (Chair McDaniel)**
4. **REPORT FROM CHICO ARTS AND CULTURE FOUNDATION (Commissioner Gardner)**
5. **FOLLOW UP ON UTILITY BOX IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS (Commissioners Ferguson & Nava)**
6. **REPORT ON CULTURAL MAPPING PROJECT (Commissioner Cummins)**
7. **UPDATE ON MURAL COATING DONATION/COLLABORATION (Commissioners Ferguson & Gardner)**
8. **MAYOR'S ART ACHIEVEMENT NOMINATION FORMS-REVIEW & UPDATE**

9. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Members of the public may address the Commission at this time on any matter not already listed on the agenda, with comments being limited to three minutes. The Commission cannot take any action at this meeting on requests made under this section of the agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting will adjourn to the next regular Arts Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

SPEAKER ANNOUNCEMENT

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ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

City of Chico Arts Commissioners: Daniela Ferguson, Mary Gardner, Monica McDaniel, Louis Nava, Jedrek Speer, Vice-Chair Kimberly Ranalla, and Chair Stephen Cummins

Meeting of January 12, 2022 – 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair McDaniel called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. All Commissioners were present.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA**

2.1 Approval of Arts Commission Minutes from 10/13/21.

A motion by Commissioner Cummins was seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried (6-0-1, Commissioner Gardner abstained).

3. **2021/2022 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANT PROJECTS AND AWARDS**

3.1 Legacy Stage Non-Profit Status Update

Commissioner Ferguson reported that she reached out to Erin Horst with Legacy Stage and the required documentation was provided and forwarded to the North Valley Community Foundation.

4. **STATUS OF THE 2019-2020 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANT CYCLE END OF YEAR REPORTS**

Chair McDaniel provided an update on organizations that have not submitted their reports. She stated that she had been in contact with all the grantees and had received most of the reports. Chair McDaniel stated that due to staffing changes, Inspire was unaware they had received a grant. North Valley Community Foundation will be asked to provide more information regarding the date the check was issued and where it was sent to assist Inspire in tracking down the project.

5. **DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE PARTNERSHIPS FOR MAINTNENACE OF PRIVATE ART IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY-**

Public Works Director, Erik Gustafson discussed the City's treatment of graffiti in the city, regardless of whether the property is publicly or privately owned.

Options for funding for a partnership for performing maintenance on private art in the public view were discussed. It was determined that the City could not provide that funding as it would be considered a gift of public funds.

Commissioner Gardner offered to propose the project to the Arts and Culture Foundation to see if they would be interested in such a partnership and report back at the next meeting.

6. DISCUSSION OF UTILITY BOX IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

Lisa Freeman-Wood, Commissioners Ferguson, Nava, and Speer reported on the information they had gathered regarding utility box improvement programs from other communities. Commissioner Gardner reported on the program in Boise Idaho, where they utilize a vinyl wrap instead of directly painting on the boxes.

Chair McDaniel appointed Commissioners Nava and Ferguson to an Ad-Hoc Committee to investigate further and come up with a plan for next steps. The Committee will report back at the next meeting.

7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Gardner requested to agendize a report and discussion from the Arts & Culture Foundation. The Commission was in consensus to add this item to the agenda.

Commissioner Cummins requested to agendize an update on the Cultural Mapping project. The Commission was in consensus to add this item to the agenda.

Commissioner Ranalla requested to agendize a discussion of the Mayor's Arts Awards. The Commission was in consensus to add this item to the agenda.

8. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Clean California Grant

Public Works Director Gustafson reported to the Commission that the City is currently in the process of applying for a "Clean California Grant". This grant is designed for disadvantaged areas. The City will target the disadvantaged area of the Park Avenue and East Park Avenue Corridor for their proposed project.

A major component of the proposed project would be the repair or replacement of the "Plow" sculpture that is located in the median. Currently, staff is recommending replacement. The "Plow" was installed in 2001, and while it is a great piece, it has had significant issues.

In the 2017 Public Arts maintenance inventory, "The Plow" was listed as the top item requiring maintenance and repair with a "Level 2" urgency factor. The basalt rock is cracking, there is significant water damage, exposed infrastructure, along with missing landscaping. Most importantly the metal internal structure of the plow is not stainless and is now rusted and degraded. This would be a great opportunity to replace the piece with another piece and integrate additional pieces along the corridor, which could include gateway arches into the Meyers Avenue Industrial Park.

If approved, the project would be significant with full tree replacement, full landscape replacement, automation, irrigation, Class 1 bike path installation, replacement of the current bike path where it is damaged, sidewalk replacement, and some stamped concrete opportunities along both shoulders and the median all the way down Park Avenue to East Park Avenue towards Highway 99.

Mr. Gustafson indicated that they are hoping to also include a preservation coating on the "Love" mural to protect it. Staff will keep the Commission informed, with the understanding that if the Grant is awarded, there will be additional discussions with the Arts Commission regarding the details of the designs and any proposed changes to current artwork or the addition of any new pieces.

Chair McDaniel stated that she is excited at the possibility of being able to deal with the "Plow", and that the basalt has been problematic from the start, with Commissioners needing to deal with it as best they could as it crumbled into the median. She pointed out the piece is currently not lit or landscaped. She expressed her support and excitement for the proposed changes and stated that the Arts Commission would be willing to hold special meetings to consult on this project and help in any way they can.

Consultant Toni Scott stated that she is excited about this project and was impressed by staff's desire to make sure public art was included in the project.

Commissioner Gardner suggested that having an artist provide consultation early in the design process would be helpful.

California Arts Council Impact Grant

Thomasin Saxe with 1078 Gallery reported that they had received a California Arts Council Impact grant for murals in the Barber neighborhood. Chair McDaniel suggested that they should include a line item in their budget for a clear coat on the murals to protect them.

9. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned to the next regular Arts Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 5:52 p.m. in Conference Room 1 in the Council Chamber located at 421 Main Street, Chico, CA unless a Special Meeting of the Commission is scheduled.

Approved: _____

Prepared by:

Stina Cooley, City Clerk Technician



City of Chico Arts Commission

Mayor's Achievement in the Arts Awards

Nomination Form

Nominee: _____

Nominated for Artistic Achievement as:

- Outstanding Arts and Culture Organization or Business
- Outstanding Artist or Arts Organization Leader
- Individual or Group's contribution to the artistic quality of life in Chico
- Patron of the Arts
- Individual, family business or organization
- Service that supports artists or organizations

The work of the nominee is noted for: _____

Explain how the business / patron / art piece / or performance, etc., contributes greatly to this community and teaches others about the importance of art:

Commissioner Signature: _____



Award Criteria

Artistic Achievement

Provides opportunities for the Arts

Supports the experience of the Artist

Diversity in the Arts

Promotes Tourism & Economic Development