
ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA

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

Meeting of October 12, 2022 – 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Council Chamber Building, 421 Main Street, Conference Room 1

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 2.1 Approval of Arts Commission Minutes from 7/13/22 and 9/14/22.
3. **FOLLOW UP ON UTILITY BOX IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM** (*Commissioners Gardner & Nava*)
4. **CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL FUNDING POSSIBILITY DISCUSSION**
5. **ARTS GRANTS REPORT TO COUNCIL – UPDATE** (*Vice-Chair Ranalla & Chair McDaniel*)
6. **REPORT FROM CHICO ARTS AND CULTURE FOUNDATION** (*Commissioner Gardner*)
7. **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.

7. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING**

The meeting will adjourn to the next regular Arts Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

SPEAKER ANNOUNCEMENT

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ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

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

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

Council Chamber Building, 421 Main Street, Conference Room 1

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair McDaniel called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. Commissioners Cummins, Nava, and Speer were absent.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 Approval of Arts Commission Minutes from April 13, 2022.

A motion by Commissioner Gardner was seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried (4-0-3, Commissioners Cummins, Nava, and Speer absent).

3. 2019-2020 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANT CYCLE END OF YEAR REPORTS *(Chair McDaniel & Vice-Chair Ranalla)*

Chair McDaniel and Vice-Chair Ranalla provided a brief update and presented the draft report. The Commission discussed presenting a summary to the Council.

A motion by Commissioner Ferguson was seconded by Commissioner Gardner to accept the 2019-2020 Arts & Culture Grant report and ask the committee to prepare a report for City Council that summarizes the past three grant cycle reports to be presented at the City Council Meeting on October 18, 2022. The motion carried (4-0-3, Commissioners Cummins, Nava and Speer absent).

4. 2022-2023 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANT CYCLE GUIDELINE REVIEW AND AD HOC COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

The Commission reviewed the Grant Guidelines and suggested some minor changes in addition to the updated deadlines. The consensus was that the applications will be reviewed by the full Commission to award grants and allocate funding.

5. FOLLOW UP ON UTILITY BOX IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM *(Commissioners Gardner & Nava)*

Commissioner Gardner suggested that rather than focus on utility boxes, the Commission should perhaps focus their attention on the traffic light control boxes which are owned by the city. She reported that the Arts & Culture Foundation would like to collaborate with the City on this project and they have applied for a grant to fund a middle school art contest and hope to turn the winning artwork into vinyl wraps for the boxes. She stated that while it provides a great opportunity for education and interaction to have the artists painting the boxes, it is much safer to have the vinyl wraps which are installed by professionals, rather than have artists painting in the traffic right of way. Commissioner Gardner stated the Arts & Culture Foundation should have a response to their application by the October Arts Commission meeting and would like to provide an update at that time.

6. UPDATE ON MURAL COATING DONATION/COLLABORATION (*Commissioners Ferguson & Gardner*)

Commissioner Ferguson reported that she has not had any success in finding sponsors for the project but decided to focus on an inventory of murals in the city and determining which murals need the coating and which ones already have the coating. Commissioner Gardner, Vice-Chair Ranalla and Chair McDaniel provided her with additional resources to assist in locating murals in Chico and documenting them.

7. ACHIEVEMENT IN ARTS AWARD WINNER SELECTION & SELECTION OF THE TYPE OF AWARDS

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed all of the nominations in each of the categories.

A motion by Commissioner Gardner was seconded by Chair McDaniel to award the 2022 Outstanding Arts & Culture Organization or Business Award to Chico Art Center. The motion carried (4-0-3, Commissioners Cummins, Nava and Speer absent).

A motion by Commissioner Gardner was seconded by Chair McDaniel to award the 2022 Outstanding Artist or Art Organization Leader Award to Jess Mercer with Butte County Art on Wheels. The motion carried (4-0-3, Commissioners Cummins, Nava and Speer absent).

A motion by Commissioner Gardner was seconded by Vice-Chair Ranalla to award the 2022 Patron of the Arts Award to the Steele Family. The motion carried (4-0-3, Commissioners Cummins, Nava and Speer absent).

8. CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL FUNDING POSSIBILITY DISCUSSION – This item was table until the next regular meeting.

9. DISCUSSION REGARDING COLLABORATION WITH ARTS & CULTURE FOUNDATION IN ASSESSMENT & PRIORITIZATION OF PROJECTS FOR PUBLIC ART MAINTENANCE FUND (*Commissioner Gardner*)

Commissioner Gardner asked to combine Items 9 and 10 regarding the Arts and Culture Foundation. She stated that with the reinstatement of the public art tours, the Foundation has discovered damage to the “Dancing Trout Fountain” and several of the COBA boards that are in Diamond Alley attached to the city owned parking structure. These two items were not on the maintenance priority list, as it is believed that the damage is more recent.

Commissioner Gardner reported on the current activities of the Foundation and said that they have recently applied for some grants that they hope to partner with the city on.

10. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Members of the public addressing the Commission were Lisa Freeman-Wood and Britta Goldman.

10. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned to the next regular Arts Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 6:24 p.m.

Approved: _____

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