



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION June 16, 2010

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on June 16, 2010, in the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Robert Bortfeld, Vice Chair
Doris Chamberlain
Nikie Crawford
Judy Ellison
Nancy Goren
Donna Goyette
Kate Hanley
Hilary Harp
Hotchy Kiene
Shirlee King
Janis Webb
Frank Williams

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Betsy Fahlman, Chair
Barbara Hanigsberg

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Asst. - Library and Cultural Services Dvsn.
Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Manager - Library and Cultural Services Dvsn.

Guest(s) Present:

None

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Judy Ellison, Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the May 12, 2010, Commission Minutes

- **MOTION:** Kate Hanley moved to approve the May 12, 2010, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Minutes Document.
SECOND: Doris Chamberlain seconded.
DECISION: May 12, 2010, minutes document approved.

Agenda Item 3 - Cultural Services Division Director's Report

- Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Manager - Library and Cultural Services Division, reported that the City of Tempe is surveying patrons of the Tempe Public Library through June 21 to solicit public opinion in an attempt to determine a reduction in operating hours that poses the least impact to the Tempe community. Richwine encouraged the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members to participate in the surveying process by visiting www.surveymonkey.com/s/tempepubliclibrary. Richwine further reported that the Tempe Public Library will accept completed surveys through 5 p.m. on June 21.

- A. Richwine stated that the Gallery at Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) is playing host to an exhibition titled, "Cars and Guitars." Richwine added that "Cars and Guitars" is on display through Oct. 16, 2010; Richwine further reported that the Gallery at TCA is playing host to a free Paper Cup Exchange focused on the "Cars and Guitars" exhibition at 7 p.m. on August 5, 2010. Richwine encouraged all TMAC members to attend the exchange.
- A. Richwine reported that the TCA Studio is currently playing host to Tempe Little Theatre's (TLT's) production titled, "The Allergist's Wife." Richwine stated that the production series concludes on June 20, 2010.
- A. Richwine announced that the TCA Theater, in conjunction with Tempe's LakeShore Jazz, is playing host to the Brian Bromberg Quintet at 8 p.m. on June 25.
- A. Richwine confirmed that local Jazz pianist Bob Ravenscroft and the Jazzbird Foundation donated a \$275,000 baby grand piano to the TCA; Richwine reported that she and other City of Tempe staff members visited the piano's manufacturer in north Scottsdale. Richwine added that the donated piano will be utilized for TCA partner performances; Richwine further reported that a piano dedication ceremony will take place at a date to be determined.
- A. Richwine stated that the Friends of TCA organization is playing host to a celebration at 6 p.m. on July 4 in the TCA Lounge; Richwine stated that limited tickets are available for purchase (for the celebration). Richwine explained that single tickets are available to be purchased for a fee of \$60; however, couples' tickets are also available to be purchased for a fee of \$100.
- Kate Hanley encouraged the TMAC members to attend the Friends' celebration on July 4; Hanley stated that the indoor event is appropriate for retirees and directed the TMAC members to call 480-350-2884 for additional information related to the event.
- A. Richwine asked Rachael Peterson, Library and Cultural Services Division Administrative Assistant, to provide the TMAC members with a report related to the City of Tempe's Art Instructional Program; R. Peterson stated that the majority of the visual and performing art-intensive youth summer camp programs have filled to their capacity. Peterson added that many of the youth programs have lengthy waitlists.

Agenda Item 4 - Chairperson's Report

- No report.

Agenda Item 5a - Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee

- Judy Ellison, Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee Chair, presented the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members with an update related to the installation progress of the Downtown Tempe Community (DTC) Garden Mural. Ellison explained that the garden mural is funded by the DTC; Ellison added that local artist Wiley Wallace will paint a mural on the east wall of the Downtown Tempe Urban Garden on the corner of 5th Street and Forest. Ellison stated the mural is titled, "Growing Garden," and will be painted directly on the City Hall Parking Garage Structure.
- J. Ellison further reported that the mural will be complete by the end of June, 2010; Ellison further described W. Wallace's methods for painting the mural and that the finished mural will be coated with UV-protected paint. Ellison distributed a computer-generated image of the mural to the TMAC members and explained W. Wallace's process for drawing the design onto the wall. Ellison clarified that W. Wallace will use a

grid for the mural's large scale image, followed by a charcoal transfer to assist with its details.

Agenda Item 5b - Grants Committee

- Nancy Goren, Grants Committee Chair, reminded the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members that the City of Tempe Art Grants Panel Review for fiscal year 2010 - 2011 took place on May 7; Goren further reported that the panel reviewed 21 art project grant applications.
- N. Goren thanked the TMAC members for their meeting attendance (to establish a voting quorum) and described the art grant application panel review process, as well as the role of the Grants Committee prior to the committee's award recommendations being forwarded to the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) for review.
- N. Goren further presented the TMAC members with award recommendations prepared by Maja Aurora, City of Tempe Arts Coordinator, and the TMAC Grants Committee; Goren stated that the recommendation values for the arts project grants were calculated using the median value of each grant established by four voting members of the 2010 - 2011 Arts Project Grant Panel Review.
- N. Goren stated that the TMAC Grants Committee recommends the funding of 23 arts grants, 21 arts project grants and 2 organizational development grants. Goren added that three arts project grants were not recommended to receive funding based upon the panel's scoring in the areas of quality, impact, budget and ability.
- **MOTION: Hotchy Kiene moved to approve the TMAC Grants Committee's recommendation to fund 23 arts grant applications for the fiscal year 2010 - 2011.**
SECOND: Robert Bortfeld seconded.
DECISION: City of Tempe Art Grant Award Recommendations for the fiscal year 2010 - 2011 approved.

Agenda Item 5c - Communication/Advocacy Committee

- No report.

Agenda Item 5d - Facilities Committee

- No report.

Agenda Item 6 - Commission Member's Announcements

- Hotchy Kiene announced that June 28 through July 4, 2010, marks the 8th anniversary of National Independents Week (Local First Arizona); Kiene explained that National Independents Week is a time to celebrate independent businesses from around the state of Arizona. Kiene encouraged the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members to shop locally online, or to check-out independent, local businesses.
- Nancy Goren announced that her son is in the process of starting-up a new, 501C3 orchestral music program. Goren further stated that her son's ensemble practices and performs at a local church; Goren inquired about the possibility of her son pursuing affordable rehearsal and performance space at the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA).
- Frank Williams encouraged N. Goren to direct her son to contact Don Fassinger, City of Tempe Cultural Facilities Administrator and TCA General Manager, to receive additional information related to space availability and booking fees at the TCA.

Agenda Item 7 - Public Appearances

- No appearances.

The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting is scheduled to take place at 6 p.m. on July 14 in the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) 201 Lounge, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, AZ, 85281. ***Meeting Cancelled***

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Prepared by: Rachael Peterson

Reviewed by: Adrienne Richwine

Authorized Signature
Position/Title