



# APPROVED MINUTES

## BEAUTIFICATION AND PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

June 8, 2020 – 4:00 p.m.

*City of Flagstaff – Microsoft Teams Remote Meeting*

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City Staff: Eliza Kretzmann – Staff Liaison, Jana Weldon – Project Administrator, Carrie Nelson sitting in for Creag Znetko – Recording Secretary

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**Provide Public Comment Prior to the Meeting:** Email [eliza.kretzmann@flagstaffaz.gov](mailto:eliza.kretzmann@flagstaffaz.gov) with your public comment prior to 3:45 on Monday June 8 and it will be read during the public comment section or during the item to which your comment pertains.

### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

### B. ROLL CALL:

Anthony Garcia, Chair, **present**

Sandra Lubarsky, Vice-Chair, **present**

George Averbek, **present**

J Michael Cruz, **present**

Carla McCord, **present**

Jeremy Slater, **present** (*joined at 4:18 p.m.*)

Kraig Weber, **present**

### C. UPCOMING EVENTS

Chair Garcia announced that Flagstaff Arts Council meets via a ZOOM meeting every Friday at noon and discusses arts in the community. Please contact Mr. Jonathan Stone ([jstone@flagartscouncil.org](mailto:jstone@flagartscouncil.org)) to be a part of the meetings.

### D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

*The Arizona Open Meeting Law prohibits the Commission from discussing or acting on an item which is not listed on the prepared agenda. Commissioners may, however, respond to criticism made by those addressing the Commission, ask staff to review a matter, or ask that a matter be placed on a future agenda. Public comment should be sent to [eliza.kretzmann@flagstaffaz.gov](mailto:eliza.kretzmann@flagstaffaz.gov), prior to the meeting time or during the designated public participation section.*

None

### E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May Meeting – Postpone minute approval until July meeting, as Creag is out of the office.

**Postponed to next meeting.**

## F. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- i. Welcome J Michael Cruz and Carla McCord, our new Commissioners! Sandra Lubarsky was also approved for a new term.

Eliza welcomed new Commissioners and announced a new term for Vice-Chair Lubarsky. Chair Garcia asked new Commissioners McCord and Cruz to introduce themselves.

## G. DISCUSSION

- A. Sustainability – Presentation on Priorities and Vision – City of Flagstaff

Suggested Discussion: Learn about Sustainability priorities to inform the Commission, and to provide information for potential collaboration.

Dylan Lenzen, Sustainability Specialist, presented on the City of Flagstaff Sustainability Section including: City Council Goals, Climate Action and Adaptation Plan and Rethink Waste Plan.

### Discussion:

- Commissioner Averbeck asked about the glass bottle recycling containers and why so small? Flagstaff doesn't offer glass recycling, so you must opt into this. They are smaller due to the weight of the glass. Please reach out to Solid Waste to set up additional collection.
- Vice-Chair Lubarski asked how the commission can follow up with certain projects, such as the Water is Life and the Community Gardens to have public art in these sections. Mr. Lenzen asked the commission to reach out to these projects and he is sure they are open to ideas.
- Chair Garcia asked what is the longevity of the Landfill and what the plan is to create a new one? The longevity is projected to close in years 2050-2060. Would like to see zero waste in the future.

- B. Airport Parking Lot Project Overview– Adam Miele, Senior Project Manager, Streets, City of Flagstaff; Barney Helmick, Airport Director, City of Flagstaff; Jana Weldon, Beautification, Arts & Sciences Project Administrator, City of Flagstaff

Suggested Discussion: After the presentation on the parameters of the project, give ideas for the beautification project(s) that could be achieved with \$100,000 dollars of funding.

Ms. Kretzmann noted that the Airport is in the Beautification and Public Art 5-year Plan.

Mr. Barney Helmick, Airport Director and Mr. Adam Miele, Senior Project Manager, Streets, presented on the Airport Parking Lot Overview. Due to the COVID-19 they have made this a fast track item. Due to the second carrier there are increased parking needs. Airport Staff would like to add improvements to the existing parking lot and add double parking spaces with a second parking lot that would include landscaping and public art. This project could be completed in Summer of 2021.

Ms. Jana Weldon, Beautification, Arts & Sciences Project Administrator presented on the Airport Lot Beautification Project Ideas Initiation. She stated that they will need to follow FAA guidelines, such as ensuring we are not attracting wildlife through the project. Suggestions include: Landscaping rain gardens, Lithomosaic (on a portion of the 1,200 feet of sidewalk), Water Jet Cut Metal (for a decorative feature that may also serve as fencing). Ms. Weldon is looking for other ideas and best use of monies to enhance parking lot.

### Discussion:

Vice Chair Lubarski – asked what kind of money is involved in fencing and mosaic? Cost can vary by design for either. Would have to give the artist a budget.

Commissioner McCord – is there an opportunity within art to accomplish an introduction to Flagstaff, perhaps a gateway to the Colorado Plateau? Yes, there is an opportunity.

Chair Garcia – consider art leading to the natural aesthetic setting of the Airport.

Commissioner Cruz stated he likes the mosaic and likes the Water Jet Cut Metal and could serve as a wind guard or prevent snow drifts on sidewalks.

Commissioner Averbeck – commented that the airport would need to have a traffic flow and make easier for snow removal. These items are still being worked on at this time.

Chair Lubarski – Agreed with Mr. Cruz regarding the Water Jet Cut Metal and fencing. If later wanted to come back with the mosaic idea, could we do so? Adding in lithomosaic later is not really possible. What makes sense as to the design progression? Ms. Weldon answered the cost would depend on the elaborate of design by the artists. A call to artist would need to be made and would work with design team at airport with the direction of BPAC and selection panel. Would give the artist a budget once they are on board.

#### C. Increasing Information-Sharing with other Commissions:

Suggested Discussion: Ideas for how to keep better informed and in communication with other city commissions. Determine which Commissions are priority for engagement, and ideas for how to do so.

Ms. Kretzmann would like suggestions/interests of information sharing/attending other Commission meetings.

### Discussion:

Chair Garcia – asked each commissioner of their interest and suggested to attend via Public Participation at their meetings. Ms. Kretzmann will send out the links for Commissions on the city website, which include the point-person contacts. Here is the list of commissions each commissioner will attend and increase communication:

- Vice-Chair Lubarsky – Sustainability Commission
- Commissioner McCord – Heritage Preservation
- Commissioner Slater – Indigenous Coordination and Parks & Rec
- Commissioner Weber – Bicycle Advisory Committee and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Commissioner Cruz – Diversity Awareness Commission
- Chair Garcia – Open Space Commission
- Commissioner Averbeck – Tourism Commission

## H. ACTION

- A. No action items currently.

## H. REPORTS

- A. Eliza Kretzmann – Beautification, Arts and Sciences Manager and Jana Weldon, Beautification, Arts and Sciences Project Administrator: Any questions on weekly reports or provided written updates?

Ms. Kretzmann will continue to send out weekly reports.

- B. Chair Updates

Chair Garcia informed the Commissioners of the BBB Sales Tax and how it is distributed. The City Council has asked to see how much of the BBB funds are distributed and would like to reevaluate how this funding is distributed. The Chair encouraged the support of funding for the arts at the state level, as this funding is currently threatened.

- C. City Council Liaison Updates

None

- D. Requests for future agenda items?

- Commissioner Averbeck – would like to see some housecleaning of projects.
- Vice-Chair Lubarsky – 2 items: Follow-up from Rio Project photos from Army Corp. in relation to photos of similar projects the Corp. has completed elsewhere & Follow-up on discussion of BBB Tax.
- Chair Garcia – Add To/From Item on future agendas. Ms. Kretzmann will check to see if this fits into the open meeting laws.

## I. AGENDA ITEMS AND TIME/DATE FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

Next meeting date:

- Monday, July 13, 2020

## J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m. by unanimous consent.