

**MINUTES**  
**Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC)**  
**Wednesday, July 27, 2016 Parks and Recreation Office, Lincoln Park**

**Commissioners Present:** Gary Ambrosier, Laura Bradley, Betsy Brodak, Betsey Dick, Darcy Johnson, Lancer Livermont, Mary Olkowski

**Commissioners Absent:** Jennifer Hancock, Marjorie Haun, Thea Arandjelovic

**Others Present:** Lorie Gregor, Joseph Sanchez, Bennet Boeschstein

Chair Darcy Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:03pm. Lancer moved to approve the minutes of the June 22 meeting as is. Betsy Brodak seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Joseph Sanchez, Mesa County Public Library,** updated the Commission on the 970West Studio. The library will be changing to a 4 month residency program in 2017. They will forward the Call for Artist Residencies in October. Artists must commit to 3 public programs and allow the library to digitize their work. Library is looking for stipends. Library is holding public training classes to utilize the equipment, library to send schedule.

Library is looking for Artists to exhibit March – October 2017. Requested they send us info for website.

Currently the library is doing a 360 degree catalog of the Art on the Corner pieces. The Commission would like to see all of the public art collection done. They would need 6 trained volunteers to execute this project. Darcy suggested they recruit out of their training classes. Talks will continue with Jessica Geddes regarding this matter.

**Bennet Boeschstein** reported on his support of the reinstatement of the grant program.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Events Calendar:** Lorie passed around the current schedule of events for the economic impact survey.

**Write On!** Lorie shared the information in the Activity Guide. She will send an updated flyer to Betsy. Lorie will contact MACO for prizes.

**Cultural Plan:** The Education Committee will convene soon. Darcy suggested the sub-committee meet and begin compiling the information. Lorie will begin on the framework.

**Grant Funding Brainstorming:** The Commission presented a letter requesting reinstatement of the 2017 grant, supporting letters from arts organizations and historical grant program data to the City Manager, via the Parks and Recreation Director, Rob Schoeber.

Lancer will continue as the liaison to the Arts Organization Coalition.

**REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Take Part in Art:** Lorie shared the input from the vendors. All were very positive and they appreciated the changes made from last year. A suggestion was made to contact the Young Chautauquans.

**aRT:** The Art on the Riverfront Trail project has been presented to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Department Heads, all with support for the program. Murals will be painted on October 15 in conjunction with the Downtown Art Festival.

**Horse Sculptures:** July 11 the horse sculptures by Joseph Fichter were installed on the Horizon Drive roundabouts! Lancer and Lorie attended the dedication on July 12. The Horizon Drive BID donated the sculptures to the City as part of the Public Art Collection.

**Economic Impact Study:** The online survey was sent out to the identified arts and cultural organizations. Collection of those surveys and paper surveys is ongoing. Lorie will be following up with organizations that are unresponsive.

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will be 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 24, at the Parks and Recreation Office. As there was no further business, Darcy declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor