

**MINUTES**  
**Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture (GJCAC)**  
**Wednesday, October 26, 2016 Parks and Recreation Office, Lincoln Park**

**Commissioners Present:** Thea Arandjelovic , Gary Ambrosier, Laura Bradley, Betsy Brodak, Betsey Dick, Marjorie Haun, Darcy Johnson, Lancer Livermont, Roseann Lyle, and Mary Olkowski

**Commissioners Absent:** Jennifer Hancock

**Others Present:** Lorie Gregor

Chair Darcy Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Betsy Brodak moved to approve the minutes of the Sept 28 meeting as is. Lancer Livermont seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Western CO Community Foundation Thank you:** The commission signed a thank you card for the foundation supplying a grant for arts and culture. Lorie will send.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Approval of By Laws:** Lancer made a motion to accept the bylaws as amended, Laura Bradley seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Due to budget review in December, the final approval by City Council will be in January.

**Champion of the Arts:** Roseann Lyle made a motion to present the Champion of the Arts Award at the Centennial Band's Christmas Concert on December 11<sup>th</sup> at the Avalon during the end of the intermission. No reception will be held and the winners will be introduced to City Council in January. Betsy Brodack seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Lorie will work with Gary for final poster information.

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

**Cultural Plan:** Lancer presented that a 15 page working draft is compiled. Subgroups were issued needed revisions with a deadline of Nov. 2. Lancer will compile the final draft. Laura will add graphics and imagery.

**REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**aRT:** The October 15<sup>th</sup> paint out was successful! 10 murals are up with 8 artists painting over the weekend. Lorie has compiled a video to be released on You Tube. The dedication of the commissioned mural, Fernando, was well attended. We have received positive feedback from the community for this project.

**Economic Impact Study:** A one- page survey is now available with a Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> deadline for organizations who have not completed the larger survey. Lorie has contacted most of those organizations and several members identified several organizations that they will contact. Currently 99 organizations are outstanding.

**Education Committee:** We have received 3 submissions. Lorie wrote a PSA for KAFM Radio to be read on air.

**Avalon Theatre:** Lorie will install the hanging system on October 31. Schedule for exhibits will be the same as City Hall beginning in January.

**Grant Coalition:** This group has been named Mesa County Arts Action Alliance. They will be project orientated, provide county-wide influence, and focus on non-profit organizations and business leadership. They are using social media for promotions. Darcy Johnson will present on Nov 1 at 4:00pm to educate them on the Arts Commission and what we do.

**Governor's Conference on Tourism:** Lorie notified Barb Bowman that a sub-committee has been formed: Betsy B., Darcy, Roseann and Lorie. Barb will be in touch when she begins planning.

**Las Colonias:** 1% for the Arts may include functional art: benches and bike racks. As the project goes along more information will be made available. The Commission is invited to the ground breaking on Nov. 9 at 2:00pm

**Art in Public Places:** Gary reported that the committee is cleaning and waxing all of the bronze sculptures. Roseann reported that Grand Current in Canyon View Park has crumbling sandstone. Lorie found silly string sprayed all over Pioneer Woman at Eagle Rim Park. All sculptures will be finished by Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Art Grant:** \$30,000 in the 2017 is still included. If approved in December, the grant program will continue.

**DDA:** Brandon Stam has been hired as Executive Director of the DDA. We are hopeful to work with them in the future.

**Art Center:** Lee Borden has been named as the executive Director of the Art Center with the resignation of Mikkel Kelly.

The next regular meeting of the GJCAC will be 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 16, at the Hospitality Suite at Lincoln Park Sports Complex. As there was no further business, Darcy declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Gregor