



ARTS & CULTURE

San Antonio Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 13, 2024
9:00 a.m.

Plaza de Armas Building
Culture Commons
115 Plaza de Armas

Members Present

D1 Arthur Campsey
D2 Maria Williams
D3 Yadhira Lozano
D4 Susana Segura
D5 Mari Sandoval
D7 Dr. Ellen Riojas Clark
D8 Henry Brun
D9 Freda Facey
D10 Dr. Mark Rogers
M. Rene Barilleaux
M. Eileen Kret

Members Absent

D6 Janie Villarreal-McClinchie
M. Suhail Arastu
M. Jessica Sanchez
M. Linda Hardberger

Staff

Krystal Jones
Diana Hidalgo
Cynthia Lopez
Kimberly Mirelez
Jordyn Patrias
Bianca Alvarez
Alyssa Franklin
Renee Talamantez
Crisa Valadez
Ellen Goos-Hockaday
Stephanie Torres
Sonia Covarrubias

Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Barilleaux Chair at 9:05 a.m. The roll call was taken by Sonia Covarrubias and a quorum was present.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the San Antonio Arts Commission meeting on July 9, 2024

Motion: Segura moved to approve. Kret seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Facey, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

2. Arts Funding: FY2025 Production Costs for Organizations Grant Funding Recommendations (Action)

Goos-Hockaday provided the Commission with a brief description of the production costs for organizations grant funding, timeline, statistics on applications received, and scoring.

Goos-Hockaday presented the previously shared list of the fiscal year 2025 production costs for organizations grant funding recommendations.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

Motion: Brun moved to approve FY2025 production costs for organizations grant funding recommendations, for all organizations except Alamo City Arts as presented. Kret seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Facey, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

Motion: Lozano moved to approve FY2025 production costs for organizations grant funding recommendations for Alamo City Arts, as presented. Segura seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Facey, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

Recusal: Rogers

9:15 a.m. Facey arrived.

3. **Arts Funding: FY2025 Production Costs for Artists Grant Funding Recommendations (Action)**

Goos-Hockaday provided the Commission with a brief description of production costs for artists grant funding, timeline, and statistics on applications received.

Goos-Hockaday presented the previously shared list of fiscal year 2025 production costs for artists grant funding recommendations.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

Motion: Campsey moved to approve FY2025 production costs for artists grant funding recommendations, as presented. Brun seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

4. **Arts Funding: FY2025 Artist Grant Funding Recommendation (Action)**

Valadez announced that one of the previously approved artists, C.M. Bratton, relinquished their \$15,000 grant in the Performing Arts category. Valadez recommended Noah Peterson, the next highest scoring artist at the \$15,000 tier in the Performing Arts category, for funding.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

Motion: Clark moved to approve FY2025 artist grant funding recommendations for Noah Peterson as presented. Kret seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

5. Public Art: Peggy Drive Area – Artist Selection (Action)

Patrias presented Andrea Jacobson and Ismani Sun (Isis Jefferson) for the public art opportunity at Peggy Drive area. Patrias provided a description of the site stating project which includes railing and sidewalk is an opportunity for increased pedestrian safety and beautification of the area. Community engagement gathered the theme selected: *creekways and water*, and how water shapes the City, Peggy Drive area and its residents. Examples of both artists' works, and experience were displayed. The Public Art Committee approved the artist selection. A timeline for this project was provided as well.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

Motion: Rogers moved to approve Andrea Jacobson and Ismani Sun for Peggy Drive area artist selection, as presented. Facey seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

6. Public Art: Walker Ranch Park – Artist Selection (Action)

Talamantez presented Jack Robbins for the public art opportunity at Walker Ranch Park. Talamantez provided a description of the site stating sculpture will be installed in an open area and in proximity of the Walker Ranch Park parking lot, a nearby pavilion, greenway trail and Walker Ranch Senior Center. Community engagement gathered the theme selected: *discovering local plants and animals*. Examples of artist work and experience were displayed. The Public Art Committee approved the artist selection. A timeline for this project was provided as well.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

Motion: Kret moved to approve Jack Robbins for Walker Ranch Park artist selection, as presented. Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

7. Public Art: Devonshire (Albin & Brookside) – Artist Selection (Action)

Franklin presented Luis Guerrero for the public art opportunity at Devonshire (Albin & Brookside). Franklin indicated the art footprint will be determined further along in the drainage improvements process. Community engagement gathered the theme selected: *look to the skies: backyard birds*

of San Antonio. Examples of artist work and experience were displayed. The Public Art Committee approved the artist selection. A timeline for this project was provided as well.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: Lozano inquired if artist is on the San Antonio Artist Registry. Franklin confirmed.

Clark asked what the average number of surveys completed and submitted by the community is. Franklin stated the team works to achieve a minimum of 50 responses and are averaging from eighty (80) to one hundred (100) completed surveys.

Motion: Kret moved to approve Luis Guerrero for Devonshire (Albin & Brookside) artist selection, as presented. Campsey seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

8. Public Art: Friesenhahn Park – Artist Selection (Action)

Alvarez presented K&H Creative, Karla Kopalli and Megan Harrison for the public art opportunity at Friesenhahn Park. Alvarez provided a description of the site stating project which includes the potential of three outdoor sculptural opportunities with a goal of building increased connectivity within the park, placing art in areas of high visibility. Community engagement gathered the theme selected: *tree houses: looking at the critters that call the variety of trees found in the park home*. Examples of both artists' works, and experience were displayed. The Public Art Committee approved the artist selection. A timeline for this project was provided as well.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: Clark inquired of light in previous artwork by Kopalli and the possibilities of incorporation in the Friesenhahn Park project. Alvarez stated solar energy could be incorporated. Clark moved on to inquire of the total number of public art works in each of the City districts. Jones stated the team would pull information and submit to the Commission.

Motion: Brun moved to approve K&H Creative for Friesenhahn Park artist selection, as presented. Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

9. Public Art: Police Station at St. Mary's – Design Update (Briefing)

Alvarez presented an update on the design changes for two panels for project *Police Station at St Mary's* by Elizabeth Carrington in District 1. Timeline was provided.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

10. Public Art: Fire Station 24 – Design Update (Briefing)

Patrias presented an update on the design change for Fire Station 24 by Wanderlust Ironworks, lead artist Autumn Saleh. A timeline was provided.

Public Comments: None

Commission Discussion: None

Public Comments

Alfred Sanchez – shared with the Commission an idea of a portrait of Pope John Paul 2 at Main Plaza.

Announcements and Reports

Centro de Artes Committee: Dining with Rolando Briseño: A 50-year Retrospective – Opening Reception

Torres invited the Commission to attend Dining with Rolando Briseño: A 50-year Retrospective – Opening Reception Thursday, September 5 at 6 p.m. at Centro de Artes Gallery. The exhibit is curated by Ruben Cordova.

Jones announced the Film Commission is working closely with Paramount+ TV series 1923 to facilitate filming in San Antonio this fall.

Upcoming Events

Clark announced San Antonio Museum of Art’s special exhibition tour: *Amalia Mesa-Bains: Archaeology of Memory* on Sunday, September 22.

Clark invited all to attend *Al Otro Lado del Espejo: San Antonio Artists in Queretaro – Opening Reception*, at Queretaro, Mexico exhibiting Chicano artists, September 20 at 7:30 p.m. at Museo del Arte de Queretaro.

Lozano invite all to attend the mural dedication at Mission County Park to commemorate the 2nd anniversary of the largest human trafficking tragedy in modern history and honor the fifty-three (53) migrants who perished on June 27, 2022.

Lozano announced Luminaria will host a press conference at 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 23 at which Luminaria location and selected artists will be announced.

Adjournment

Motion: Brun motioned to adjourn the Arts Commission meeting and Facey seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Campsey, Williams, Lozano, Segura, Sandoval, Clark, Brun, Facey, Rogers, Barilleaux, Kret

Absent: Villarreal-McClinchie, Arastu, Sanchez, Hardberger

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Rene Barilleaux, Chair Date

Sonia Covarrubias, Liaison Date