

Cultural Arts Commission



January 25, 2024
Town Hall
2121 Cross Timbers Road
Flower Mound, TX 75028

6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

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C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

D. STAFF/DIRECTOR REPORT

E. CONSENT ITEM(S)

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1. Consider approval of the minutes from October 26, - Consider approval of the minutes from October 26, 2023.

F. COORDINATION OF CALENDARS

G. ADJOURN

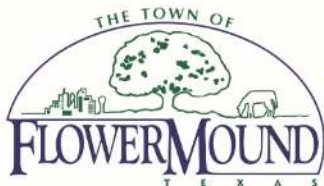
I do hereby certify that the Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the Town Hall for the Town of Flower Mound, Texas, in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all

times and said Notice was also posted on the Town's website in accordance with GC Section 551.056 on the following date and time: January 22, 2024, at 10:15 a.m., at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled time of said meeting.

Samantha Stansbery, Staff Liaison

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October 26, 2023
Town Hall
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6:30 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES

A. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

The Cultural Arts Commission met for a regular meeting with the following members present:

Ron Miller, Chair, Place 1
Elizabeth Brannon, Vice Chair, Place 2
Beth Dilley, Place 3
Ginene Delcioppo, Place 4
Radha Sathe, Place 6
Laverne Amsterdam, Place 7, Alternate
Murthy Mantha, Place 8, Alternate

with the following member(s) absent:

Colleen Russ, Place 5

constituting a quorum with the following members of the Town Staff participating:

Sue Ridnour, Director of Library Services
Tish Carter, Community and Cultural Events Manager
Samantha Stansbery, Administrative Assistant

Ron Miller, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30pm.

B. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Elizabeth Brannon, Vice Chair, motioned to nominate Ron Miller as Chair for the 2023-2024 commission. Laverne Amsterdam, Place 7 alternate, and Radha Sathe, Place 6, seconded the motion, jointly.

AYES: Dilley, Delcioppo, Brannon, Amsterdam, Sathe

NAYS: None

Beth Dilley, Place 3, motioned to nominate Elizabeth Brannon as Vice Chair for the 2023-2024 commission. Laverne Amsterdam, Place 7 alternate, seconded The motion.

AYES: Dilley, Delcioppo, Brannon, Amsterdam, Sathe

NAYS: None

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Veronica Diaz (address: 3216 Mission Ridge Dr, Flower Mound, Tx 75022) spoke on behalf of the Lewisville ISD council of PTAs. Veronica is the chair of the Arts in Education Committee. LISD participates in a nationwide program called 'Reflections'. The committee is in need of judges of the submissions of all of the local schools that will be participating in 'Reflections'. They need judges in the areas of dance choreography, music composition, literature, and visual arts. The judging would take place from the end of November through January and would need to be returned to the council in early January. If anyone is interested in serving as a judge, it would be greatly appreciated and they can contact Veronica in order to do so.

Sweetie Bowman (address: 6524 Orchard Dr, Flower Mound, Tx 75022) spoke on behalf of the Cross Timbers Artists' Guild. Sweetie would like to remind all that November is "The Month of the Arts". The Cross Timbers Artists' Guild will have an open studio artists' tour for the 22nd year in a row. There will be 18 artists showcased. There will be a party on November the 3rd at Art House (6100 Long Prairie Rd #800, Flower Mound, Tx 75028). The Guild would like to be more connected and offer assistance more often. The Guild would love to host an exhibition for the town. Eventually, The Guild would love to have a cultural and performing arts center for the visual and performing arts.

Ellen Floyd (address: 6504 Orchard Dr, Flower Mound, Tx 75022) informed the Commission that the arts are alive and well in Flower Mound. Ellen pointed out that she would also be on the tour of the artists, as she does crochet and knitting.

Eileen Carver (address: 3530 High Rd, Flower Mound, Tx 75022) informed the public that she will also be a part of the Cross Timbers Artists' Guild. She will be sharing her art. She wanted to remind the public that art is available for all people, not just kids. Also, Eileen informed the commission that she would like to be connected better and offer help in any areas needed.

Marty Robbins, owner of Art House (business address: 2608 Long Prairie Rd, Flower Mound Tx and 6100 Long Prairie Rd, Flower Mound Tx) spoke regarding the amount that is reserved for the arts. Marty read the recently approved Town budget. Marty expressed his disappointment with the amount that is reserved for the arts. There are at least 14 artists in the area that can share their talents, based on the Cross Timbers Artists' Guild tour. Marty stated they would love to be more active in Flower Mound arts but have not had anyone reaching out to request their assistance.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chair, Liz Brannon, announced that the Coppell Arts District was recently mentioned in the Dallas Morning News' "Best in Dallas/FortWorth". This guide is a list of businesses that are voted on. The Coppell Arts Center was mentioned as the gold standard for arts and cultural events, entertainment district, family-friendly show, concert venue, live theater venue, art gallery, and a place to volunteer. This is an inspiration for what Flower Mound could do. We have a great resource to help us get there as Ginene Delcioppo, Place 4, is an employee of Coppell and sits on our commission. Liz also wanted to congratulate her that their program was mentioned in this compilation.

Chair, Ron Miller, reminded everyone that Liz Brannon writes a column in the Cross Timbers Gazette regarding the arts. Her columns are often accompanied by ads for the Coppell Arts District as they have so much going on. Ron welcomed Murthy Mantha, Place 8, alternate, to the Cultural Arts Commission Board. Ron also thanked the Town for the banquet they provided for all the commissions and boards members. There will be an Arts month proclamation on November 6. The library will host the Art Party on November 10. On November 14th, the Flower Mound Philharmonic will perform a concert at 7:00pm at the library. The Lewisville Lake Symphony will perform Romeo & Juliet at the MCL Grand at 7:30pm. On December 9th & 10th the Voices of Flower Mound and Flower Mound Symphony Orchestra will perform their annual Christmas concerts at Trietsch with the Chancel Choir at 7:00pm and 2:30pm, respectively. On December 28th, the Lewisville Lake Symphony will perform their Chamber series at 7:30pm at the Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Sue Ridnour, Director of the Library, announced that Mary Kay Walker passed away today, October 26, 2023. Ms. Walker was part of many arts initiatives in the past.

E. STAFF/DIRECTOR REPORT

Tish Carter, Community and Cultural Arts Manager, announced that they have hung the art by a new artist, Kurt Conner, at the Senior Center. They will have their first artist talk on November 7th, also at the Senior Center with Kurt Conner. There will be the first Meet & Greet with an artist at Town Hall on November 9th, with the artist Beth Dilley. Both murals that were made at the Arts Festival will be on display in December. One will be displayed at the Senior Center and the other at the Library. The submission process for the traffic signal box art has been modified to be less complicated. The town is currently in the process of doing the same for the application for the Art Wall in order to clarify which application to submit for which wall that is being applied for. Working on the final results of the report for the Arts Festival at Heritage Park. There will be a Chalk the Walk on November 4th from noon to 3pm.

Sue Ridnour, Director of Library Services, also presented her report.

1. FY2023 in review

Library Metrics FY2022-23	TOTAL	Previous Year Total	% Increase
Library Visits	256,548	213,170	20%
Total Program Attendance	14,812	11,381	30%
Items checked out	576,720	541,310	7%
eContent as % of total circulation	27%	24%	3%
Cardholders	47,742	46,500	3%

2. Fall Programming--Check the calendar on the Library website.

- Emotional Health Series
 - Teens, Pt. 1: Tuesday, November 7, 7p.m.
 - Adults, Pt. 1: Tuesday, November 21, 7p.m.
 - Each of these will have a part 2, to come in December.
- Flower Mound Philharmonic Concert, Tuesday, November 14, 7p.m.
- Art Party, Friday, November 10, 5-7p.m.
- Meet the Muralist, December 12 at the library.

F. CONSENT ITEM(S)

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Correction for the 10/26 agenda: #3 under work session, typo put it as "Traffic Signal Book Project" needs to be corrected to "Traffic Signal Box Project".

Correction to the 9/28 minutes: Murthy Mantha will be joining the commission as "Alternate, Place 8" rather than what was stated in the minutes which was "Place 4".

ACTION: Beth Dilley moved to approve F. as presented in the agenda caption. Elizabeth Brannon seconded the motion.

AYES: Beth Dilley, Elizabeth Brannon, Ginene Delcioppo, Laverne Amsterdam, Radha Sathe

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RESULT: 5 : 0

1. Minutes 9.28.23 - Consider approval of the minutes from September 28, 2023
Editing for the 9/28 minutes was given, minutes were amended, then approved.

G. RECESS REGULAR MEETING

Chair, Ron Miller, recessed the regular meeting in order to move into the work session, at approximately 7:00pm.

H. CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

Chair, Ron Miller, called the work session to order, at approximately 7:00pm.

I. WORK SESSION ITEMS

1. Discuss Cultural Arts Master Plan.

The Master Plan can be found at: <https://www.flower-mound.com/DocumentCenter/View/30940/Cultural-Arts-Master-Plan?bidId=>. All the actions are listed as well as each of the responsibilities. Chair, Ron Miller, suggested all should read over the Master Plan to understand what is listed and what to expect in the future. Vice Chair, Liz Brannon agreed with Ron that more actions could be done by members to help make the Master Plan take place. Liz did request further clarification on the responsibilities of members of the Commission vs the members of the town staff. Director of Library Services, clarified these positions a bit further. There was discussion/deliberation regarding what actions can be taken to further the Master Plan and how to carry those out. There was brainstorming on a few ideas, however, still planning what action(s) will be taken in the future.

One last statement was made by Ron to make it known that the Art Council Members would love to help more at events, with Parks & Rec, Library, etc, but they need to know when they are needed and they will be there.

2. Discuss Art Party on November 10, 2023.

Organization of the Art Party is coming together. Student art from Lewisville ISD school will be on display, as well as the 'Dancing Divas', and student musicians. Professional artists will be featured, with their work to discuss the process of creating their art. Something new this year: 'The Art of the Author'. Sue requested as many from the Cultural Arts Commission be there as possible, to promote the event.

Ginene asked about the potential of post-event surveys and methods to carry them out. The potential of creating a QR code was discussed, to poll the public about their opinion of the art party and if they want to see more art more often, etc.

3. Discuss Traffic Signal Box Project.

The traffic signal box project has been a hit. Received approval for more funding for this project in the budget. This will keep it moving forward. Right now it looks like the funding will be just enough to do the upcoming traffic signal boxes.

J. ADJOURN WORK SESSION

Chair, Ron Miller, adjourned the work session at approximately 7:40pm.

K. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Chair, Ron Miller, reconvened the regular meeting at approximately 7:40pm.

L. COORDINATION OF CALENDARS

The next meeting will be January 25, 2024, at 6:30pm, in the Town Council Room at Town Hall. Sue will keep the Cultural Arts Council updated about the upcoming Town Council work session. There was discussion about resuming the practice of having the art organizations that have been funded through the Arts program of the Town, coming to present at the Cultural Arts Commission meetings. This will begin in January. **Reminder that the Arts Month proclamation is to take place at the Town Council meeting on November 6th at 6:30pm.**

M. ADJOURN MEETING

Chair, Ron Miller, adjourned the meeting once all points of the agenda were exhausted, at 7:43pm.