

Cultural Arts Commission



May 23, 2024
Town Hall
2121 Cross Timbers Road
Flower Mound, TX 75028

6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Ron Miller, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:34 p.m.

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

Ron Miller, Chair, Place 1
Elizabeth Brannon, Vice Chair, Place 2
Vacant, Place 5
Radha Sathe, Place 6
Deb Fitzpatrick, Place 7, Alternate

with the following member(s) absent:

Beth Dilley, Place 3
Laverne Amsterdam, Place 4
Murthy Mantha, Place 8, Alternate

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

Rachel Hadidi, Director of Library Services
Samantha Stansbery, Administrative Assistant
Letitia Carter, Community and Cultural Arts Manager
Travis Cuniff, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Board/Commission regarding any item on this agenda that is not a "Public Hearing." Issues regarding daily operational or administrative matters should first be dealt with by calling Town Hall at 972- 874-6000 during business hours. To speak to the Board/Commission during public comment, please fill out a comment form, which is located in the lobby of Town Hall.

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board/Commission is restricted from discussing or acting on items not listed on the agenda.

- Speakers are limited to 3 minutes; a tone will sound at 30 seconds left and when time has expired, and times may be adjusted by the Chair depending on the number of speakers.

- Speakers must address their comments to the Board/Commission.
- Please state your name and address when speaking.

William Lucket of 6404 Prairie Brush Trail, Flower Mound, wishes to cede his 3 minutes of speaking time to Art McNeese. Art McNeese of 4100 Marbella Drive, Flower Mound, to speak about an item not on the agenda. Here to speak about a book that is offered at the library "The Hips on the Drag Queen Goes Swish, Swish, Swish", and the reasons he believes it should not be offered. Art went on to speak about why he disagrees with the book as well as the report he put together to back up his view.

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements from the members

Voices of Flower Mound, Flower Mound Symphony Orchestra, and Treitsch Church Choir will be presenting a patriotic concert the weekend before July 4th which will be Saturday, June 29th at 7pm and Sunday, June 30th at 2:30pm at Trietsch Memorial United Methodist Church of Flower Mound.

D. PRESENTATION(S)

1. Presentation of 2024 Arts Festival at Heritage Park

Letitia Carter, Community and Cultural Arts Manager, gave presentation of how successful the Annual Arts Festival was on May 11, 2024.

Presentation included:

- 34 Art Vendors
- 13 Sponsors -including the Texas Commission for the Arts
- 9 Performance Groups on 2 stages for a total of 160 Individual Performers
- 1 Community Arts Project that was designed by 4 Denton County Artists
- 3 Activities Tables
- LISD Art Show
- Chalk the Walk
- 2023 Mural plus Bubble Machine
- 3 Food Trucks

E. STAFF/DIRECTOR REPORT

Ron Miller, Chair, Welcomed Dr. Rachel Hadidi to the Board prior to her giving her report.

Rachel Hadidi, Director of Library Services, gave her Director's report:

Excited about her first meeting. Sign up for Summer Reading Challenge opened enrollment as of May 20th. The challenge officially starts on June 1. Rachel listed a few events and upcoming plans: Crafternoons (K-5th grade), Cooking Up Culture:

Lebanese (Falafel & Fattoush Salad), etc. Also mentioned that the Indian Cuisine has been very popular and the Library will try to do it again. We are hoping to have a design contest for the new library card in the fall.

Letitia Carter, Community and Cultural Arts Manager, gave her staff report:

The new traffic boxes that will be near elementary schools are in the process of being installed. The art walls will switch out at Town Hall, Senior Center, and CAC at the beginning of the month of June. Will do "Meet the Artist" again soon. Thanked all the board members that helped with the festival. Elizabeth Brannon, Vice Chair, also spoke about the highlights from the presentation at the Town Council Workshop. Chalk the Walk will be on Saturday, June 1, from 9:00am-noon and would love for another if anyone would like to volunteer. Letitia also stated that July will be Parks and Rec month that they have events planned for.

Travis Cuniff, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, gave his staff report:

Excited to be working with the Library for different coordination of events. Wanted to welcome the new director after being part of the search to fill the position.

Kudos/Thanks to Liz on her presentation at the Council Workshop. Kudos to Tish (Letitia) for the Arts Festival and all those involved in making it happen.

F. CONSENT ITEM(S)

This part of the agenda consists of non-controversial, or "housekeeping" items required by law. Items may be removed from Consent by any Commissioner by making such request prior to a motion and vote.

1. Minutes 3/28. - Consider approval of the minutes from March 28, 2024.

ACTION:	Elizabeth Brannon moved to approve F.1. as presented in the agenda caption. radha Sathe seconded the motion.
AYES:	Elizabeth Brannon, radha Sathe, Deb Fitzpatrick
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
RESULT:	3 : 0

G. REGULAR ITEM(S)

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

The purpose of this item is to allow the members an opportunity to bring forward items they wish to discuss at a future meeting.

- Public Arts project.
- Hopeful for permanent public art.
- Plan to discuss more what the status is of the park beside the library.
- Cultural Arts Center status? What is the status and what to tell the Public?
- Rachel will be updating the Library Policy Manual.

I. COORDINATION OF CALENDARS

The next meeting will occur at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2024.

J. ADJOURN

Ron Miller, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 7:18pm.