

**CITY OF MOUNTLAKE TERRACE
ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

January 17, 2023
5:30 pm

Mountlake Terrace City Hall
Lake Ballinger Room
23204 58th Ave W
Mountlake Terrace, WA

Present

Conner Ryan, Chair
Michelle Senechal, Vice Chair
Judy Ryan, Commissioner
Bonnie Mercer, Commissioner
Anne Nygaard, Commissioner
Ben Hou, Commissioner

Excused

Marla French, Commissioner
Eden Rooney, Student Liaison

Absent

City Council Liaison

Councilmember Rick Ryan

City Staff

Renee Norton, Support Services Supervisor
Jeff Betz, Recreation and Parks Director

Guests

None

1 CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 5:31pm.

2 ROLL CALL

Chair Ryan did roll call. Commissioner French and Student Liaison Rooney were marked absent.

3 ROLL CALL FOR REMOTE MEMBERS

Supervisor Betz attended via teleconference.

4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Ryan moved to approve the November 2022 meeting minutes as presented.
Commissioner Mercer seconded. Roll call vote approved the motion 6 yes, 0 no.

Commissioner Mercer moved to approve the December 2022 cancelled meeting minutes as presented.
Commissioner Hou seconded. Roll call vote approved the motion 6 yes, 0 no.

5 PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Supervisor Norton presented an email from a community member interested in having their art in the library exhibits.

6 AGENDA CONSIDERATIONS:

None

7 ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None

8 CURRENT BUINESS:

8.1 DEIC Commissioner – City building welcome signs:

DEIC Commissioner Vonita Francisco presented the Arts Advisory Commissioners with the idea of multi-lingual, inclusive welcome signs at the entrance of each city building. The Arts Commissioners thought this was a good idea, especially if they were ready to order signs that are inexpensive.

8.2 ARTIST SELECTION FOR PEDESTRIAN PLAZA:

Supervisor Norton explained to the group that there were two selection panel meetings for the artist selection for pedestrian plaza. She told them that there were thirty entries for this project and the panel narrowed it down to four. Director Betz reminded the group that the artists would be bringing original ideas that they create for the city. He then asked commissioners to discuss the criteria for the artists presentations. The group concluded that the piece should be highly visible/visually striking from the light rail as well as other vantage points and that power would be provided at the site for either internally lit artwork or up lighting.

8.3 2023 WORK PLAN AND PRESENTATION

Supervisor Norton showed the Commissioners their updated PowerPoint presentation. She told them that their presentation to council will be some time in February.

9 MESSAGE FROM CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Ryan mentioned that she had all of the library shows booked except for August. She also told commissioners that she booked the library for the 2023 Arts of the Terrace.

Commissioner Hou said that he repaired the broken art panels.

10 MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL LIAISON:

Council liaison Ryan told commissioners that council is voting on the lodging tax.

11 DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT:

Supervisor Norton told the group that the Recreation and Parks department needs to hire staff to support program demand.

12 ADJOURNMENT: As there were no further items for discussion, Chair Ryan adjourned the meeting at 6:23pm.