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Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs and Arts Advisory Committee

Committee Chair, Laura Olivieri
Committee Member Marcus Ellsworth
Committee Member Perry Holmes
Committee Member Mecca Hunter
Committee Member Danielle Lemorin
Committee Member May McCarthey
Committee Member Thomas Schilling

Monday, August 17, 2026 **6:00 PM** **City Hall**

1. Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm.

2. Roll Call

Council Liaison: AnnaMarie Knorr
Staff Liaisons: Brenda Campbell, Travis Orian

Present; 5 - Committee Member Danielle Lemorin,Committee Member May McCarthey,Committee Member Laura Olivieri,Committee Member Marcus Ellsworth, and Committee Member Thomas Schilling

Excused; 1 - Committee Member Perry Holmes

Absent; 1 - Committee Member Mecca Hunter

3. Minutes

3.1 MIN 26-47 The Committee will approve the minutes from the July 20, 2026, meeting. Discussion and action.

A motion was made by Committee Member Ellsworth, seconded by Committee Member Olivieri, that this Minutes be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

4. Call to the Public

Council Member Marsh requested help in filling Laura's seat upon her October departure from the committee. He shared his phone number with committee members. He also thanked Laura for her commitment to the committee thus far.

5. Agenda Items

5.1 CAAC 26-51 The Committee will hear reports from the chair and committee members. Discussion only.

Committee Member M. McCarthey announced the upcoming 19th annual Kids Day Maricopa event. It will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2026 at Maricopa Wells Middle School from 9:30am - 4pm.

Committee Chair L. Olivieri reported on her tenure resignation offer as of October. She expressed appreciation to all the committee members and staff. She shared the Maricopa Music Circle Chamber Orchestra will host open rehearsal on September 2 with a total of twenty members.

Committee Member M. Ellsworth announced Broadway Maricopa's Murder Mystery will hold auditions on August 17 & 18.

The performance art theatre had a successful run of The Wizard of Oz from July 31 - August 8 with a sixty-five member multigenerational cast.

5.2 CAAC 26-52 The Committee will hear reports from the Council liaisons. Discussion only.

Council Member AnnaMarie Knorr thanked the committee and staff for their efforts and dedication to enhancing the arts within the city. She shared her phone number as well with committee members.

5.3 CAAC 26-53 The Committee will hear reports from city staff. Discussion only.

Staff Liaison Travis Orian reported on Stagecoach Days. The website is now active. He encouraged all to attend and enjoy in whatever capacity you're led to; volunteer, participate, invite family and friends. The 1st Friday website is also live and ready to accept vendor applications. The city will occupy Zone 1- Mike Ingram Heritage Park.

Staff Liaison Brenda Campbell requested suggestions for the expansion of themes for the Maricopa Stagecoach Days' Shutter Shots contest.

5.4 CAAC 26-54 The Committee will hear an RFP update by Travis Orian. Discussion and Recommendation.

Staf Liaison Travis Orian informed the committee the Request for Qualification yielded four applicants. The committee recommended to move forward with Steps 2 & 3- the interview and sign off.

5.5 CAAC 26-55 The committee will discuss plans for the October 15th Artist's Reception. Discussion and Recommendation.

The committee consensus is to continue to brainstorm ideas for themes and email Staff Liaison Brenda Campbell.

5.6 CAAC 26-56 The committee will jury submissions for the Artist Spotlight Gallery. Discussion and Action.

L. Olivieri motioned to approved Pam Sutton for the first Artist Spotlight Gallery. D. Lemorin seconded. All approved unanimously.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm