Summary Minutes
Tacoma Arts Commission
Community & Economic Development

These minutes accompany the recorded meeting of the Tacoma Arts Commission, which is available at www.cityoftacoma.org/tacagendaminutes.

Date: August 11, 2014
Location: City of Tacoma Municipal Building North, Room 16
Time: 5:00 pm

Commission Members in Attendance: Traci Kelly, Chair
Jan Brazzell
Scott Campbell
Rachel Cardwell
Joel Chang
Matt Hudgins
Sarah Idstrom
Donald Lacky
Ronald Lagman
Dane Meyer
Catherine Stegeman
Mike Sweeney
Wanda Thompson
Katrina Toft

City Council Liaison in Attendance: David Boe

Staff Present:
Amy McBride, Tacoma Arts Administrator
Naomi Strom-Avila, Cultural Arts Specialist
Vyra Saran, Arts Intern

Guests:
Nick Goettling

Commission Members Unexcused Absence:
J.D. Elquist, Vice Chair

1. Call to Order 5:05 pm (00:01) Chair Kelly

2. Consent Agenda 5:05 pm (00:12) Chair Kelly

Chair Kelly asked if commissioners had a chance to review the minutes from the last meeting and the agenda for this meeting. There were no objections.

There were no excused absences.
3. Chair’s Report
5:05 pm (00:36) Chair Kelly
Introductions were made to welcome new Commission members Joel Chang, Scott Campbell, Sarah Idstrom, Ronald Lagman, and Katrina Toft. Dane Meyer has been reappointed to the Commission.

4. Presentation
5:10 pm (00:05:04)
A. Murray Morgan Bridge Mural
Nick Goettling presented his design proposal for the Murray Morgan Bridge Mural. Nick discussed his research and inspiration for the design, which includes the history of the port, people, and community. The design includes large dynamic figures in action and incorporates historically significant patterns and elements. Work on the mural will begin shortly. A dedication will be planned for the mural once it is complete.

Commissioners discussed and asked clarifying questions.

Chair Kelly asked, “Is there a motion to approve this proposal as presented?”

There was a motion: “So moved.”
Motion: Catherine Stegeman
Second: Dane Meyer
Motion: Carried

5. Action Items
5:42 pm (00:37:50)
A. AMOCAT Arts Awards
Commissioners reviewed and discussed the nominees for the 2014 AMOCAT Arts Awards.

Commissioners discussed re-categorizing Rick Semple & Jori Adkins from the Community Outreach by an Individual category to the Arts Patron category.

Amy McBride asked “Do we have an official motion?”

There was a motion: “So moved.”
Motion: Rachel Cardwell
Second: Scott Campbell
Discussion: Commissioners further discussed the re-categorization.

Chair Kelly said “All in favor of the motion to move Rick Semple and Jori Adkins from the Individual to the Patron category say aye.”
Motion: Carried
Opposed: Mike Sweney

Commissioners reviewed all nominees and then voted for the 2014 AMOCAT Arts Awards as follows:

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After the first round of voting, Commissioners discussed re-voting for the top two vote-getters in the Community Outreach by an Organization category.

There was a motion: “I would make a motion that we would do the top two.”

Motion: Jan Brazzell
Second: Mike Sweeney
Motion: Carried

After the second round of voting for Community Outreach by an Organization, Commissioners discussed the two candidates and Chair Kelly recused herself from voting. Commissioners re-voted.
The 2014 AMOCAT Arts Award winners are:

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6. Staff Check-In 6:32 pm (1:27:45)
Commissioners volunteered to attend coffee meetings with City Council members as follows:

- Anders Ibsen – Sarah Idstrom
- Marty Campbell – Joel Chang
- Lauren Walker - Mike Sweney, Don Lacky
- Victoria Woodards – Matt Hudgins
- David Boe – Rachel Cardwell, Scott Campbell
- Mayor Marilyn Strickland – Mike Sweney, Ron Lagman

The New Tacoma Neighborhood Council will be hosting a graffiti forum at the Tacoma Post Office Building on August 13, 6 – 8 pm.

Yuki Nakamura is finishing her public art project for Bay Terrace. Diane Hansen and Jennifer Weddermann are beginning work on a second piece of public art for Bay Terrace.

There will be a rededication for the PAVE Children’s Bell on August 28.

Filming and editing for the next episode of artTown is continuing and the show should be done around early September.

Prairie Line Trail design work has been moving forward, including signage.

The Arts Program has been asked to submit $90,000 in proposed cuts for the 2015-16 budget cycle. Of that, $35,000 would come from the Arts Program budget, which includes arts funding programs, and $55,000 from arts maintenance.

Commissioners volunteered to attend and evaluate the following programs that were funded by the Commission:

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7. Discussion/Updates

A. Tacoma Arts Month

Naomi Strom-Avila gave an overview of Tacoma Arts Month including print marketing pieces, sponsors, marketing plan, and updated website. The Opening Party will be October 2, 6 pm, at the Tacoma Post Office Building. The event will have a line-up of multiple arts events and exhibits and is being hosted in collaboration with Spaceworks Tacoma. The Tacoma Studio Tour will be October 11 & 12, 11 am – 5 pm.

Commissioners Lacky, Cardwell, Campbell, Chang, Meyer, Toft, Thompson, Brazzell, and Lagman volunteered to help distribute Tacoma Arts Month marketing materials.

Vyra Saran gave an overview on the Metal-Urge Free Community Festival, which will be held October 19 on Tollefson Plaza.

B. Tacoma 2025

Commissioners were thanked for attending the Tacoma 2025 visioning workshop on July 30. Further visioning input can be submitted online through the City’s website. The City will be hosting further discussions in September.

8. Report Back

A. Landmarks Preservation Commission
There was no report.

B. Advocacy Reports
There was no report.

C. Arts Events Attended
Commissioners shared art events they had attended or have been involved with including the City’s budget meetings and Proctor Arts Festival.

D. Future Agenda Items for Consideration
There were no items noted.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm