

**CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE  
CITY OF PALM DESERT  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

December 11, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Present: Vice-Chair Carol Adney, Committee Member Maureen Boren,  
Committee Member Lori Flint, Committee Member Thomas Mitze,  
Committee Member Pia Rose, Committee Member Ann Simley,  
Chair Elizabeth Hauer

Absent: Committee Member Kristen Olson- Stone (alt.)

Liaison: Architectural Review Commission Liaison Wallace D. Colvard,  
Planning Commission Liaison Lindsay Holt

Staff Present: Management Analyst Erica Powell, Recording Secretary Michelle  
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Cultural Arts Committee was called to order by Chair Hauer on December 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., in the Administrative Conference Room, City Hall, located at 73-510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, California.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Motion by:** Committee Member Mitze

**Seconded by:** Committee Member Rose

To approve the consent calendar as presented.

**Motion Carried (7 to 0)**

**4.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by:** Committee Member Mitze

**Seconded by:** Committee Member Rose

Approve the Minutes of November 13, 2024.

**Motion Carried (7 to 0)**

**4.b PROJECT STATUS REPORT FOR THE DECEMBER 11, 2024, CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Management Analyst Powell, provided a staff report and responded to member inquiries.

**Motion by:** Vice-Chair Adney

**Seconded by:** Committee Member Simley

Receive and File Project Status Report for December 11, 2024, Cultural Arts Committee (CAC) Meeting.

**Motion Carried (7 to 0)**

**5. CONSENT ITEMS HELD OVER**

**6. ACTION CALENDAR**

**6.a CONSIDER SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FROM DESERT X FOR THE 2025 EXHIBITION**

Management Analyst Powell narrated a PowerPoint and responded to member inquiries.

**Motion by:** Committee Member Flint

**Seconded by:** Committee Member Rose

Recommend City Council approve sponsorship request in the amount of \$25,000 from Desert X for the 2025 exhibition.

**Motion Carried (7 to 0)**

**7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS & COMMENTS**

**7.a PLANNING COMMISSION LIAISON**

Planning Commissioner Holt provided a reminder on the Palm Desert Civic Academy starting early 2025.

**7.b ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION LIAISON**

Architectural Review Commissioner Colvard provided an update on recent approvals of the Architectural Review Commission.

**7.c CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Committee Member Simley expressed appreciation to the Committee for the approval of the deaccession of the "Piano" sculpture at City Hall.

Vice Chair Adney requested potential location suggestions for a private mural called Unite.

Committee Member Boren recommended working with the Desert Recreation District with integrating art into the new remodel of the Palm Desert location.

**7.d CITY COUNCIL LIAISON**

None.

**7.e CITY STAFF**

Management Analyst Powell provided updates on the following items:

- Update on foundation base of sculpture *The Unbearable Lightness of Being* by Patricia Vader;
- Update on raised mid-block crosswalks;
- Dueling Palms sculpture update; and
- the cancellation of the January Cultural Arts Committee meeting.

**7.f ATTENDANCE REPORT**

Report provided; no action taken on this item.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The Cultural Arts Committee adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

**9. PUBLIC NOTICES**

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Michelle Nance, Deputy Clerk II  
Recording Secretary

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Erica Powell, Management Analyst  
Secretary

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DATE APPROVED BY CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE