

MINUTES OF BASTROP CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

October 1, 2024

City Hall, Bastrop, TX

The Bastrop Cultural Arts Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at Bastrop City Hall located at 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas. The individuals present were Maria Montoya Stayton, Jerry Gee Cordova (BISD Director of Fine Arts), Chloe Brevelle, Lisa Holcomb, Mike Kiddoo, Yvonne Keyrouz, Luke Thompson, City of Bastrop Staff; Michaela Joyce and Elisa Puentes.

1. CALL TO ORDER: 1:02 p.m. and with quorum in attendance, Maria called the meeting to order.

2. CITIZENS COMMENTS: Luke Thompson – Discussing Bird Costumes for 1st weekend of May “Bird Lovers” weekend. Would like to get more students & teachers from BISD involved. Art would be put on display at art center or schools. Chloe mentioned the Community Engagement Committee will collaborate & discuss with project coordinators.

3. REPORTS:

3A. Receive report on Bastrop Bird Junction Phase 1 and 2 – Have raised 200k in fundraising for Bird Sculptures. Engage with supporters to build cause for funding and acknowledgement. 4th Project – Red Tailed Hawk ready to start. Once TX DOT ok’s locations next step is pouring concrete slabs with city street crews. Look into moving location from Front of Law Office.

3B. Receive CAC Commissioner’s Updates – Opera House Plays SOLD OUT, Music Festival – Visit Bastrop & Musicians/Bastrop Live Music Foundation want to take over for next year. They would like money to go to bigger artists and create incentive for out of towners to come here. (Many of the Festival bands are from Austin). Improvements include; increase social media, try closing streets for stages. Next time the “Film Industry” meets we would like to have a member attend. Members include TJ & Mark. (Stunt show coming up in March)

3C. Onboarding – Michaela will present budget on November Meeting and discuss first Friday, etc.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4A. First Friday Art Walk – Funding and Coordination – Hand Out, Calendar and themes each month.

4B. Bastrop Bird Junction Mural Project – Look at areas and artists for Mural Partner with businesses for a wall to paint Murals.

5. WORKSHOPS

5A. Percent for the Arts Initiative – 1% Public Construction to go towards Art Installation. All we need is Ordinance. Look into proposing a City Ordinance.

6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

5A. Consider action to approve the Cultural Arts Commission meeting minutes from September 10th, 2024 – Motion to approve Minutes by Yvonne Keyrouz with second by Lisa Holcomb carried.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. by Maria Montoya Stayton without objection.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Maria Montoya Stayton, Chair

Michaela Joyce, Main Street Manager