

MINUTES OF BASTROP CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

May 2, 2023

City Hall, Bastrop, Texas

The Bastrop Cultural Arts Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at Bastrop City Hall located at 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas. Individuals present were Montoya Stayton, Lisa Holcomb, Nicole DeGuzman, Chico Portillo, Michael Jones, Kaye Sapikas, John Kirkland, Candice Butts, and Syliva Carrillo

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 1:00 p.m. and with quorum in attendance, Maria called the meeting to order.
2. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** Mike Salvo presented some of his artwork and offered assistants.
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

4. REPORTS:

4A. Commission Member Reports: Nicole stated that it's museum preservation month and they are putting in an exhibit to celebrate. Historic walking tours coming up. Just finished cleaning historical markers. Yesterfest is May 20th on Pine and Water street. First time in last 6 years. Chico stated that school had yearly art show that was really well attended. Bastrop Opera House has academy showcases coming up and The Music Man opening. Art Center has ArtFest coming up. Maria stated that art emerging is coming up. Stated that a mini grant paid for \$1500 of the central Texas walking tour and worked with Hubs downtown. Michael reported on recent film production in Bastrop. Sylvia commented on having to revisit the film permit process.

4b. Iconic Art Subcommittee report: Committee walked the historic culture looking for spots that might be possible to put iconic artwork. Looking at ideas that pertain to birds. Put out a call for art.

4c. Funding diversification: Nicole stated that they are willing to help with funding for iconic art. Won't hear about large grant until June.

4d. Bob Bryant Park Mural: Kaye reported that they might not get done before school is out. Stated that parts are already starting to peel off because they need to be sealed. Chico is hoping to entice the teachers to come in and finish even if school is out. Kaye was hoping there could be a date to put on a ribbon cutting and stated that it might motivate to get it done.

5. **PRESENTATIONS:** No presentations

6. WORKSHOPS

6A. DEI Mural Project: Sylvia discussed the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion board's grant for 2 murals, one for Delgado Park and one for Kerr Community Park. Contribution is from St.

David's Foundation. They are soliciting ideas for the murals. Michael mentioned he felt it should be pleasing to look at and lead to good emotion. Maria stated that our committee will put together a call for art.

6B. Mini Grants: Round 2 of Mini Grants for FY23: Candice presented new registration form. July 31 will be the deadline. Currently have \$7500 for grants.

6C The Gathering: September 18 at Beer Co. Lisa said she will bring performers. Nicole stated that she can bring visual panes for Hispanic culture from museum. Maria stated that we need an author's table.

7: ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

7a. Discussion and possible action for work plan. Candice presented forms: Kaye mentioned to change the working from "announce" to "continue" throughout the written plan. Change wording of iconic murals to Iconic art. We will submit changes to adopt the workplan. Kaye made a motion to approve with the changes, Nicole 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

7b. Discussion and possible action on board vacancy: Kaye announced that she will be accepting a position with the city of Bastrop, so she won't be able to be on the commission. Chloe Brevette is being recommended for place 6. Nicole made motion to recommend Chloe and Chico 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

8. MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion was made by Chico to adjourn. Michael 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Maria Montoya Stayton
Cultural Arts Commission, Chair

Candice Butts
Main Street Manager