

**CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE  
CULTURAL COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**Wednesday February 8, 2023  
6:00 p.m.**

**(Hybrid/Zoom Meeting)**

**Item 1 – Call to Order**

Chairperson Kathleen Martell called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

**Item 2 – Introductions – Members and Guests**

Members present: Lindsay Burney, Celia Daly, Beth Kelley, Teresa Linder, Kathleen Martell, Kathy Plummer, and Stephanie Taylor

Members absent: Nancy Dragani

Guests: None

Staff: Susan Anderson, Recreation Manager  
Wheat Ridge Parks & Recreation Center Department

**Introductions**

Chair Kathleen Martell welcomed everyone to the meeting. Brief introductions were given by commission members.

**Item 3 – Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Linder made a motion to accept the minutes for January 11, 2023, as written. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion, all accepted and approved.

**Item 4 – Unfinished Business**

**2023 Performances in the Park (Martell)**

Chair Martell discussed two options pertaining to Performances in the Park. She will notify Stephen with the Parks and Recreation Department that they will make a decision at their March meeting regarding the event.

They will also discuss being more of a partner for the 2024 planning process season. As a city partner, they would like to be a liaison for all city discussions/decisions

regarding different perspectives related to the arts and culture events in the community:

- Option 1 – Community sponsorship - \$500
- Option 2 – No formal sponsorship
- Either – Attend some/all selected events with a table and activities
- Possible Activities – ASL person, plein air artists, dance troops, puppets

### **2023 Subcommittee Structure & Budget Planning (Martell)**

Chair Martell stated additional conversations and action items will need to be prepared to lock down for their March meeting. Discussions included how can the commission connect with the community and do networking as an important role for the commission.

### **Ongoing City Proclamations for Art/Culture Related Observances (Burney)**

Commissioner Burney shared that August 2 is National Coloring Book Day and also the last performance for Performances in the Park event. Discussions included how to prepare for 2024 planning for these events, and the possibility of working with a school.

### **Item 5 – New Business**

#### **Social Media/Communications Contact (Martell)**

Chair Martell stated that they have their commission email account to monitor and social media to promote events which takes up a lot of time for one person. Ideas discussed were to have a person be responsible and take ownership for one event to include posting the social media information on Facebook and Instagram which would create an opportunity to let people know what the commission is all about. She added that this will require additional discussion.

### **Item 6 – Future Agenda Items**

- Review first batch of sponsorship applications - March meeting

### **Item 7 – Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Linder: Good to see everyone and excited to use Facebook to promote different events in the community.

Commissioner Taylor: Good meeting and lots of great ideas.

Commissioner Burney: Great meeting as always, sorry I could not be there in person.

Commissioner Kelley: Great meeting.

Commissioner Daly: Great meeting, will not be here for the next meeting, sorry.

Commissioner Plummer: Wonderful to see everyone.

Chair Martell: Thanks everybody for coming up with ideas. I feel like we are tidying up items that needed to be addressed.

**Item 8 – Adjournment**

Chair Martell adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.