



MINUTES

Ogden City Arts Advisory Committee

Regular Meeting

2501 Wall Avenue | Arts Office

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In Attendance:

Leon Araujo, Chair; Deann Armes; Camille Washington; Jan Hamer; Kseniya Thomas Stephanie Howerton; Todd Oberndorfer; Joseph Blake; Sam Gappmayer; Susan Snyder; Joel Kitamura

Excused:

Absent:

Eric Holmes; Jake McIntire

Staff Present:

Lorie Buckley; April Gruber

Tuesday, July 8, 2025 – 8:30 A.M.

In-person and Zoom Meeting

Welcome and Call to Order – Leon Araujo, Chair

8:32am Call to order

- **Approval of June Minutes**
 - Motion to approve – Todd Oberndorfer
 - 2nd motion – Joel Kitamura
- **Annual Review of City Committee Rules, Procedures, and Processes** – Lorie Buckley
 - Reviewed Committee rules, procedures, and processes.
- **Public Art** – Lorie Buckley
 - Municipal Building Stairwell Art Call Update
 - Art call open until 7/18.
 - Currently have 16 submissions.
 - 1. Considering deadline extension.
 - Discussed funding mechanism, Committee representation, and review process.
 - Olympic Mural Update
 - Transmittal has been submitted to City Council.
 - Conveyed City Council review process.
 - Utility Box Art Call Update
 - Final artwork installation is underway.
 - Discussed press release timing announcing installations.

- **OCAAC New Members Update** – Lorie Buckley
 - Arlene Anderson, Daniel Jenney, and Flor Lopez have accepted At-Large nominations to join OCAAC.
 - Eric Holmes to assume the OCAAC Music Seat.
 - Mayoral memo actively being drafted with recommendations.
 - Reviewed approval process following Mayor’s review of the Memo.
- **Mayor’s Awards in the Arts Update** – Lorie Buckley
 - Deadline to submit nominations: July 25
 - Current number of nominations: 14
 - Encouraged Committee to submit nominations.
- **Sub-Committees**
 - *Executive* – Leon Araujo
 - Deann Armes recaps recent Plan Ogden meeting.
 - Committee is encouraged to submit comments to the Plan Ogden draft by July 15.
 - *Ogden CAN* – Leon Araujo
 - As Vice Chair, Stephanie Howerton will assume the Ogden CAN Subcommittee Chair position.
 - Ogden CAN has hired a new director.
 - *Nine Rails Creative District* – Leon Araujo
 - Reviewed recent Dumke Arts Plaza events.
 - Upcoming Brown Bag Brigade meeting to be held July 18 at Lester Park.
 - *Public Art* – Jake McIntire
 - *Literary* – Jan Hamer
 - Underground Books preparing its event space..
 - *Arts Grants* – Deann Armes
 - FY 26 Arts Grants were presented in City Council Work Session on July 1.
 - Expected to be on the agenda for City Council Public Session July 15 or 22.
 - Details forthcoming.
 - Arts Grant contracts are actively being drafted.
 - Discussed timeline for FY27 Grant cycle.
- **Committee Member Updates**
 - Thank Deann Armes for service as Chair this past fiscal year.
 - Committee members share art related updates.
 - Researching funding to update the Arts and Culture Master Plan
 - Discussed resources available.
 - Arts and Culture Economic Impact Study is underway.
- **Public Questions & Attendance**
 - Attendance: Sarah Nielson, Jeremy Shinoda

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Committee member Stephanie Howerton moved the meeting adjourn at 9:14 a.m. Motion was seconded by Committee member Sam Gappmayer, all voting aye.



 April Gruber
 Ogden City

APPROVED: August 12, 2025

NEXT REGULAR OGDEN CITY ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING
August 12, 2025

HISTORIC UNION STATION