

TOWN OF PARKER CULTURAL & SCIENTIFIC COMMISSION  
MINUTES

Tuesday, May 17, 2022      6:30pm – 8:30pm      PACE Creative Studio West

- I. Call to Order
  - Diane called the meeting to order at 6:33pm
  
- II. Roll Call
  - Commissioners: Annie Day, Diane Roth, Lance Martin, Janine Flores Jackson, Terri Tillis, Lisa Hinz, Mike Edwards, Phil Kramer
  - Cultural Staff: Carrie Glassburn, Suzanne Velasquez
  - Excused absent: Tom O'Malley, Judy Bazile
  - Town Council: John Diak
  
- III. Approval of Minutes from March 22, 2022
  - Terri motioned to approve the minutes from the January meeting, Mike seconded the motion which carried unanimously
  
- IV. Committee Reports
  - a. Art in Public Places (AIPP) – Janine
    - The Public Art Master Plan is in the beginning stages of development for 2023 to assess the direction of the committee for 2023
      - One project the committee will be working on is creating an Executive Summary for the Public Art survey that was just completed.
    - Art Gallery receptions – next one is on July 1<sup>st</sup> at the PACE Center. Please join if you can.
    - The next AIPP committee meeting will be on July 6<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Program Advisory – Carrie
    - Season Announcement Party is on July 13<sup>th</sup>
    - It's been difficult to finalize the season due to a lot of competition from other venues. May be opening a dialogue with AEG and Live Nation to explore partnership opportunities.
    - The season will include: The Nutcracker, Comedy Zone, Uncharted Series, Berlin, The Clairvoyants, Rocket Man, Addams Family, Rocky Horror Picture Show, Paddington, Sara Evans, Lee Greenwood, Dry Bar Comedy, Silhouettes, Boy Band Project, Elf the Movie, Broadway Slightly Wicked Holiday, The Sound of Music, The Jungle Book, John Tesh, Tammy Pescatelli, Yesterday and Today, Shark Photography, Escape to Margaritaville.
  - c. Adult Lectures – Mike
    - We've had lower attendance at our recent lecture, apart from Beginning Birdwatching, which was sold out

- Planning for the upcoming season, topics may include: Tagawa Gardens-Bonsai Art, A Night with the Coroner or a speaker from the FBI, Sav-A-Tree on Winterizing your trees, Behind the Curtain theater talk, Merging Science and Art, Chris Watts story or insights to taking a Polygraph test, Rattlesnakes, Molly Brown House Museum, DU Professor of Anthropology-What's Underneath Denver
- Planning to present the lectures at the Schoolhouse Theater and improve the quality of the recordings

d. Honey Festival – Diane and Annie

- Sunday August 7<sup>th</sup> at O'Brien Park
- Volunteer opportunities from PCSC members at the commission booth – our booth will focus on education: bee keeping in Parker and Douglas County, how honey is made, prize drawings
- We have over a dozen vendors already committed, aiming for about 25 total
- New committee member - Ann Atkinson, local beekeeper and a member of the Southeast Beekeeping club
- Annie is creating a playlist – let her know if you think of any bee or honey related songs

e. History – Parker Quest – Annie and Diane

- New theme this year: Dairy to commemorate the creameries in downtown parker
- September 10<sup>th</sup>
- Festival at O'Brien Park following the quest stops
  - Square dancing, mini cow, ice cream
  - Hoping to get a real dairy cow onsite
- Hoping to include: 4H DC extension office, Colorado Agricultural Leadership Foundation

V. Director's Update – Carrie

a. Downtown Revitalization

- John Diak gave a concept overview of the proposal from the Confluence Development for the five Town owned lots
  - East Main near Discovery Park - 4 story retail + multi family
  - PACE Lot – Retail + Dining + Courtyard + Parking structure
  - Schoolhouse and former Parker Water Lots – Retail + Office
  - Pine Curve – Grocery + Housing + Apartments
    - The developer asked for an additional 90 days to repropose following Council input
- Parker is 85% built out with an incomplete Main Street

b. Grants

- Both the Colorado Creative Industries and the CCI grants are due in June
  - Good News! We are in the safe zone for revenue to remain in Tier II for the SCFD

c. Public Art Survey

- We received about 350 responses
  - Top choices for types of art: Murals, Streetscape elements, Whimsical, Artwork integrated into buildings
  - Top choices for themes: Landscape and Nature, Family friendly
  - Top choices for location: Historic Downtown Parker, Entrances into the Town, Parks, Trails, and Open space
  - Role of Public Art: Improve the community’s attractiveness, Inspire creativity
- The Public Art Committee will help create an executive summary of the survey and will share this with Town Council at an upcoming meeting.

d. Science Day May 22 9am-1pm

- 2<sup>nd</sup> annual, very popular last year
- Partners to include: CASC, Buckley Air Force, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, CSU, Denver Audubon Society, Dinosaur Ridge, Hawk quest, Parker Police, Phoenix Gold Mine, Science Matters, Tagawa, United Airlines, Wings Over the Rockies

Vi. New Business

- a. Ice Cream Social with Parker Arts Staff - Sneak peek into Footloose Final Dress Rehearsal - Thursday June 23, 2022 – PACE patio
- b. Other

VI. Adjournment

- Lisa motioned to end the meeting at 7:58pm, Lance seconded the motion which carried unanimously

Next meeting – Tuesday July 19, 2022, 6:30 p.m.