



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Arts Commission
Planning & Community Development Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Arlington Heights Village Hall, 33 S. Arlington Heights Rd.
January 10, 2024
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes 11/1/2023 Draft

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Cultural Arts Award
- B. Light Projection Mapping

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ideas for New Projects

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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Arts Commission
1/10/2024

Item: Minutes 11/1/2023

Department: Planning & Community Development

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
November 1, 2023 Minutes DRAFT	Minutes

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MINUTES OF
THE VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMISSIONS ROOM
OF THE VILLAGE HALL
NOVEMBER 1, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M.

Arts Chair Schurtz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Kristen Schurtz, Arts Chair
 Janet Souter
 Brian Wolf
 Leena Joshi
 Erika Cutlip

Members Absent: Kristen Walter
 Mary Seitz-Pagano
 Sheila Kessler

Also Present: Derek Mach, Staff Liaison

Arts Chair Schurtz led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER JOSHI MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SOUTER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 ARTS COMMISSION MEETING. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CULTURAL ARTS AWARD

Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that the Arts Commission received six submittals for the Cultural Arts Award. Commissioner Wolf explained that the subcommittee reviewed each submittal and is recommending Ms. Sarah Wade as the 2023 Cultural Arts Award winner. Staff Liaison Derek Mach shared the six submittals and the Commission reviewed. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that Ms. Wade was also nominated in 2011. Commissioner Joshi commented that she is familiar with Ms. Wade's involvement and leadership in the Harmony Theater. Commissioner Wolf commented that there were a few outstanding submissions.

COMMISSIONER SOUTER MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CUTLIP TO NOMINATE MS. SARAH WADE AS THE WINNER OF THE 2023 CULTURAL ARTS AWARD WINNER. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

The Commission discussed recognizing Ms. Wade at the December 18, 2023 Village Board meeting. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that staff will coordinate with the Village Manager's office regarding an upcoming meeting date.

LIGHT PROJECTION MAPPING

Staff Liaison Derek Mach explained that he attended a meeting with Mr. Berlin and Commissioner Seitz-Pagano at Harmony Park to review the area for potential options for light projection. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that Mr. Berlin indicated that light art could be projected on a wall in the Downtown but it would be costly, more involved and require coordination/permission from a few of the building owners since the equipment would have to be placed in various locations.

Staff Liaison Derek Mach explained that options were discussed and that Mr. Berlin felt that the most feasible option is projecting art on the pavement. Staff Liaison Derek Mach further explained that it was discussed that possibly the light projection could be displayed each evening during Alfresco or at other times when the intersection is closed to vehicular traffic. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that according to Mr. Berlin, the approximate cost for a projector that is rated for outdoor use and capable of projecting across a portion of the intersection at a higher resolution is approximately \$40,000. The projector would be located on one of the poles that were installed for the light ceiling and the enclosure is approximately two feet by two feet. Staff Liaison Derek Mach explained that prior to moving forward with retaining a consultant the following items would need to be further explored:

- Options for funding the project would need to be explored.
- Evaluate the light ceiling poles to ensure that the pole could accommodate the additional weight of the projector.
- Confirm that there is enough power for the projector.
- Ideas for light art would have to be developed.

The Commission discussed ideas for themes for light art. Commissioner Joshi expressed concern with the theme 'Faces of Arlington Heights' if the art is projected on the pavement since pedestrians may be walking through the area. Commissioner Joshi suggested a more immersive experience if the plan is to project on the pavement. Commissioner Cutlip commented that another idea for a theme could be words. Commissioner Cutlip explained that the theme could be a word or phrase that describes Arlington Heights. Commissioner Souter asked if there was any discussion regarding music. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that music was not discussed at this time. Commissioner Joshi commented that possibly music from a local student band could be featured as part of the display.

NEW BUSINESS

Arts Chair Schurtz asked if there is any new business?

Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that Kathy Ponce with the Arts Guild reached out and explained that the Arlington Heights Art Guild will hold their 53rd annual fine art fair, "A Walk in the Park" on Sunday, August 25th, 2024, from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at North School Park. There are approximately 80 artists that will be selling their artwork which include oils, woodworking, watercolors, fiber art, ceramics, jewelry, and much more. Live music will be provided during the event, and food will be available for purchase. A local artist will have a tent providing demonstrations of his/her work, and high school students from District 214 enrolled in art classes will also be showing and selling their art. Staff Liaison Derek Mach commented that Ms. Ponce was inquiring if the Commission is going to publish the ART Around Town Brochure. The Commission discussed the brochure and agreed that there are other opportunities to promote various art events.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Arts Chair Schurtz asked if there are any public comments?

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER SOUTER MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WOLF TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:30 P.M. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. THE MOTION CARRIED.