

MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
 ON WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2020 at 1:00 PM
 ARUNTA ROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, TODD STREET

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES:

PRESENT:

Mayor Damien Ryan (*Chair*)
 Councillor Glen Auricht
 Councillor Marli Banks
 Councillor Catherine Satour
 Steve Anderson, Art Curator - Bachelor Institute

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanette Shepherd, Manager Community and Cultural Development
 Takudzwa Charlie, Manager Technical Services
 Telly Ociones, Executive Assistant (minutes)

APOLOGIES:

Kieren Grassmayr, Arts NT
 Tamlyn Neck, Festivals & Events Manager, Red Hot Arts Central Australia
 Miriam Wallace, Susan Dugdale & Associates
 Kim Sutton, Director Community Development

13th Alice Springs Town Council Public Art Advisory Committee	7 July-20	5 Aug-20	9 Sept-20	14 Oct-20
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓			✓
Councillor Marli Banks	✓			✓
Councillor Catherine Satour	✓			✓
Councillor Glen Auricht	✓	✓	✓	✓
Steve Anderson	✓	✓	✓	✓
Miriam Wallace	✓	--	--	A
Madeline Krenek / Tamlyn Neck	✓	✓	✓	A
Bron Field	A	A	A	--
Kim Donald	A	A		
Kieren Grassmayr (started 7/8/19)	A	A	A	A

✓	Attended	A	Apology received
✓ Proxy	Proxy attended in place of committee member	--	No attendance and no apology recorded
	Not a member		

The meeting opened at 1:05pm.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR:

Nominations were called for the position of Chairperson of the Public Art Advisory Committee from these Elected Members.

Nominee: Mayor Damien Ryan

Moved: Councillor Catherine Satour **Seconded:** Councillor Marli Banks **CARRIED**

Mayor Damien Ryan was elected to the role of Chairperson for the Public Art Advisory Committee.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

That the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held 5 August and 2 September 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of those meetings.

Moved: Councillor Glen Auricht
Seconded: Steve Anderson

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

5.1 Traeger Oval Wall Mural

Six sections have been completed. The next two sections will be made over the next three weeks. The Committee received positive feedback on this art project. It has brightened up the space with the vibrant colour of the artwork.

5.2 Todd Mall Entrance EOI

The project will commence on 3 November 2020 and finish on 8 December 2020
Todd Mall traders will be advised of the timeline of works in the Mall.

5.3 Library Wall Project

The artwork is continuing and is nearing completion. This will be launched as part of International Day of People with Disability on Tuesday, 3 December 2020.

5.4 Public Art Map

The online public art map has been launched and is available at www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au/artmap. Three free public art walks were organised for Desert Festival, which were led by Pat Ansell Dodds on 26 and 27 September. Twenty-two (22) people participated in the walks.

5.5 Skate Park Mural

Mark Twohig was the artist suggested to the committee, because of his artistic style, and involvement in skating. He has provided a summary of his broader vision, and a mock-up of the style and iconography he aims to use for the space, with an example for one of the walls. Council Officers have also conducted an on-site meeting with him.

Council's Public Art Commissioning process for projects under \$5,000 is as below:

- PAAC prepares a Brief.
- Approach an artist for an expression of interest (including examples of previous work of a similar nature/budget)
- Engage the artist under an ASTC purchase order (no contract).
- Council Officers to manage the process.
- Council Officers to determine the work as complete.

Councillor Banks asked about the wear and tear of the artwork on the surface of the Skate Park.

The Committee thanked the staff for the new re-surfaced Skate Park.

ACTION:

Manager Community and Cultural Development to report back on the longevity of the artwork in relation to the surface of the Skate Park.

6. DEPUTATIONS:

Nil

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

7.1 Don Thomas Mural

Council was approached to restore a Stockman mural depicted on the old Don Thomas wall, which is now part of the Book Shop in the Mall and has been painted over.

Discussion ensued about the location of the wall where the mural will be restored.

ACTION:

The Committee to visit the site after this meeting before exploring this request further.

Manager Community and Cultural Development to investigate and report back to the Committee.

7.2 NO MORE Signage at Traeger Wall

An email has been received from the new NO MORE program worker for Alice Springs. He has approached Council to include the 'NO MORE' logo on Traeger Wall.

The Committee is supportive of the NO MORE campaign but felt that it is not appropriate to stencil this message on the orange mural wall at Traeger Park. There are other options to put the signage around or within Traeger Park.

Discussion ensued about some suggestions on what can be painted on the spare section of the wall e.g. GYC children's handprints, traditional owners' names and acknowledgement of ASTC.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the request from the artist to put the NO MORE logo on the Traeger Wall mural not be supported.

Moved: Councillor Glen Auricht

Seconded: Councillor Catherine Satour

ACTION:

Manager Community and Cultural Development to advise the artist about the Committee's decision and email back to the Committee the artist's proposal on the spare section of the wall.

7.3 Recycled Art Festival 2021

Funding has been received through the Climate Action Plan to organise a Recycled Art and Sculptural Festival in 2021. This is in response to the following action of the plan: *6.5.39 Engage with and support the community on climate change issues through the arts and through community events.*

This is also one of the projects listed in the Public Art Action Plan for 2021. The prize and festival would be scheduled to be held in April 2021, in conjunction with the Youth Recycled Art Prize, but be held in Olive Pink Botanical Gardens, where the sculptures could be placed outside.

Discussion ensued about having a separate sculptural festival from the youth recycled art festival and the acquisition component of the art pieces.

ACTION:

Manager Community and Cultural Development to provide more information at the next meeting.

Manager Community and Cultural Development to contact the Araluen Arts Director about a sculpture trail.

7.4 New PAAC Members

The Manager Community and Cultural Development sent an email yesterday inviting Expressions of Interest for new members to join the PAAC, with the following vacant positions: 1 x Arrernte organisation or artist and 2 x Arts professionals / local artists.

7.5 Smart Trees

Technical Services Department will start to roll out this Friday a prototype of the smart trees structure on Frank McEllister Park ablution block and following this a 30-day monitoring period. A public survey will also be conducted for the concept design of the smart tree structure. The Manager Technical Services encouraged the Committee to participate in the survey and circulate to PAAC networks.

8. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, **4 November 2020**, at 1:00pm

9. CLOSURE OF MEETING:

The meeting adjourned at 1:55pm