



## CITY OF STAYTON PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION

**Thursday, January 15, 2026**  
**Public Works/ Planning Conference Room**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Quorum Present. Kronquist called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Present:** Mark Kronquist  
Nick Raba  
Kimberly Dwyer  
Eric Loften

**Absent:** N/A

**Staff:** Jennifer Siciliano, Community & Economic Development Director  
Susan Bender, Office Specialist

**Guest(s):** Julie Bochsler

**MEETING MINUTES:** Ms. Dwyer moved to approve the minutes from December 18, 2025. Mr. Kronquist seconded. Motion passed 4:0

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Selection of New Chair: Ms. Dwyer moved to nominate Nic Raba as Chair, Mr. Kronquist seconded. Motion passed 4:0. Mr. Raba takes Chair position immediately.

Discussion of presentation to the City Council scheduled for January 20<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Kronquist presented a portfolio with information and photographs based on the Commission's responsibilities. Members reviewed and discussed the intent of the invitation to the Council and the limited time available. General discussion followed including taking over the Art Show from the Library and creating an Art Walk in Stayton.

Presentations / Comments from the Public – Julie Bochsler asked for an update on the Art Contest and expressed concern that there may not be enough time to hold the contest, select a winner, and arrange for a professional to complete the work within the Community Improvement Grant deadline. She also noted that additional time is needed to build a relationship with the Kalapuya Tribe before proceeding as originally intended by the Commission. During a telephone conversation with a tribal representative, in which she and Ms. Siciliano participated, the Tribe explained that establishing such relationships takes time. Ms. Siciliano suggested submitting a request to the City to extend the grant deadline to 2027.

The Commission also discussed that the mural should not be structured as a contest, but instead as a call for artists.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

**NEXT MEETING DATE-** February 19, 2026 @ 6:00pm, at Public Works Conference Room

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