



## CITY OF STAYTON PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION

**Thursday, June 19, 2025**  
**Public Works/ Planning Conference Room**

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

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

**Absent:** N/A

**Staff:** Jennifer Siciliano, Community & Economic Development Director  
Susan Bender, Office Specialist  
Howard Tsang, Community Outreach Coordinator

**Guest(s):** Deonna Frichtl, and Paul Toews and other members of the public

**MEETING MINUTES:** Minutes from April 17<sup>th</sup> and May 22<sup>nd</sup> presented by staff. Ms. Dwyer moved to approve, Mr. Kronquist seconded. Unanimous Approval.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

a) Presentations / Comments from the Public – Due to the number of new faces each of those present introduced themselves to the room. Ms. Frichtl presented her business, Alpaca Soft Naturals, and her idea of building an artisan workspace connected to her retail space. She wanted the Commission to be aware of her intentions, seems to have overlapping interests with the Commission to raise interest and activity in the Community.

b) Updates on Odd Fellows Mural Projects – Mr. Toews has finished his work on this mural. 8 vignettes are yet to be installed. Some discussion as to timeframe for completion. Mr. Kronquist reiterated that Rodda Paint has donated materials.

c) Community Center Wall Art Logistics – Commission members viewed the historic photos set in the donated frames of the Community Center. General discussion of the next steps, including looking for volunteers to help PW staff hang them in the Community Center foyer. Mr. Raba, and Mr. Kronquist volunteered. General discussion of a display rotation cycle. It was suggested that a possible display themed around the Detroit fire, specifically how the community came

together to help. Mr. Kronquist and others mentioned photographs, artifacts, interviews and other ideas to include.

d) Art Workshop – Still planned for September 25 at the Community Center. Ms. Dwyer is reaching out to area artists about conducting workshops. One artist mentioned charging \$30 per attendee. Ms. Siciliano reminded the group that the City intends for these workshops to be free for residents. Mr. Kronquist suggested the City could offer 20 free spots for resident participants in the workshop, and the artist could charge additional attendees a reasonable fee. The City will pay artists \$600 to conduct the workshop. Suggestion was made to have workshops quarterly. Question of who to target first: demographically, interest groups, subjects, media options. Mr. Tsang will work with Ms. Siciliano to revive the art survey.

e) Parklet on Water St bridge – Parklet was delivered today by PW staff. Mr. Raba will work tomorrow, Saturday, to arrange furniture. Concern raised about securing the furnishings, given the recent rash of heavy City benches being tossed into ditches. General agreement to possibly secure the furniture to prevent theft.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

**NEXT MEETING DATE-** July 17, 2025 @ 6:00pm, at Public Works Conference Room