

MINUTES OF THE  
**PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
 ON WEDNESDAY 14 APRIL 2021 at 1:00 PM  
 COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, TODD STREET

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**1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES:**

PRESENT:

Mayor Damien Ryan (*Chair*)  
 Councillor Catherine Satour  
 Councillor Marli Banks  
 Charlie Freedman, Watch this Space  
 Miriam Wallace, Susan Dugdale & Associates (arrived at 1:15pm)  
 Eloise Lindebeck, Papunya Tjupi Arts

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sabine Taylor, Director Corporate Services  
 Scott Allen, Director Technical Services  
 Kate Walsh, Acting Manager Community and Cultural Development  
 Kiri Milne, Community Development Officer  
 Telly Ociones, Executive Assistant (minutes)

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Glen Auricht  
 Emma Murray, Red Hot Arts  
 Bron Field, Coordinator - Central Craft  
 Kieren Grassmayr, Arts NT  
 Tamlyn Neck, Festivals & Events Manager, Red Hot Arts Central Australia

13th Alice Springs Town Council Public Art Advisory Committee	7 July-20	5 Aug-20	2 Sept-20	14 Oct-20	11 Nov-20	3 Feb-21	10 Mar-21	14 Apr - 21
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Marli Banks	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Catherine Satour	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Glen Auricht	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	A	A
Miriam Wallace	✓	--	--	A	✓	A	✓	✓
Madeline Krenek / Tamyln Neck	✓	✓	✓	A	A	A	A	A
Bron Field	A	A	A	--	A	A	A	A
Kieren Grassmayr (started 7/8/19)	A	A	A	A	A	✓	A	A
Eloise Lindebeck (started 3/2/21)						✓	✓	✓
Charlie Freedman (started 3/2/21)						✓	✓	✓
Emma Murray							A	A

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

The meeting opened at 1:05pm.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:**

Nil

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

**That the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held 3 March 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.**

Moved: Charlie Freedman

Seconded: Councillor Banks

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**4.1 Public Art Master Plan & Action Plan**

A query was raised at the last meeting about the Arrernte organization/artist as a member role on the Committee. Community Development Officer advised that Ittja Ntjarra/Many Hands Art Centre are considering applying for membership to PAAC.

Community Development Officer noted that an Artist Register form has been created in Smartsheet. Council's Media team to identify the most appropriate location on Council's website. Once published, the Artist Register form will be distributed to artist networks of all mediums.

Charlie Freedman asked about the process of membership to PAAC and would like to know if another officer from Watch this Space could join the Committee.

**ACTION:**

Community Development Officer to check the Terms of Reference and report back to Committee at the next meeting.

**4.2 PAAC Budget (Standing Item)**

The total remaining budget is \$37,073.92

Mayor Ryan noted that the \$16,000 for the ASALC artwork EOI and mural has not been accounted for, therefore the total remaining budget should be \$21,073.92.

All the Council budgets are currently being reviewed for the coming financial year.

**4.3 ASALC Artwork EOI Review**

The timeline for the concept proposal development has been extended for the three shortlisted artists. The timeline is now as follows:

- Artwork Selection Process:
- Concept design and presentation documents to be provided to Community Development Officer no later than 8am 6 May 2021
- Presentation of concept proposals to PAAC Meeting – 12 May

- Submitted to Council for their approval before the successful artist is notified – 25 May
- Successful artist notified to progress to Design Development stage
- Developed design documents and associated presentation documents to be provided no later than 8am 8 July 2021
- Artist presents their developed design to PAAC –14 July
- Artist notified whether their developed design has been approved by Council, and that the project can commence –26 July

#### **4.4 Todd Mall Entrance Project**

Director Technical Services advised that all the blockworks and sign have been done. The sandstone is anticipated to be installed soon. The project should be completed between four to five weeks.

#### **4.5 Library Wall Project**

Director Technical Services advised that the landscaping in front of the mural should be completed by this week.

#### **4.6 Skate Park Mural**

A review of the Skate Park surface was undertaken by a consultant via Technical Services in March 2021. The review recommended that applying additional paint onto the ramp could cause “slick and grip” surfaces, that are slippery in some areas and grippy in others which can cause riders to fall due to a lack of consistency in the surface they are riding on. The Technical Services Officer and Manager Community and Cultural Development met with the commissioned artist to seek advice on an alternate artwork location, surface preparation required for and application.

The artist recommended that the mural be positioned on vertical areas of the park, to reduce the amount of erosion and increase the lifespan of the work. The artist consulted with Skate Park users and young people to create a revised concept that is gender neutral and creates uniform movement and flow within the space. The bold pattern featured in the design visually separates the vertical edges from the rideable areas of the park, to improve safety.



Director Technical Services advised that there is the opportunity to improve the chain wire fence area by putting up some free-standing walls (5m wide x 2m high) made of zinc coated steel, with flat surface so both sides could be painted on. One side is facing out to the Skate Park and not attached to the fence.

**ACTION:**

Director Technical Services to come back with a price on the graffiti wall.

**4.7 Upcycle Art Prize and Festival 2021**

The prize has opened, and is being advertised throughout the community. Three entries have been received so far. The Alice Upcycle Art Prize key dates are as per below:

- Applications open: 8 February
- Applications close: 20 May
- Finalists announced, and successful exhibiting artists notified: 28 May
- Delivery of artworks: 9 June
- Opening Night and announcement of prizes: 11 June
- Exhibition period: 12 June to 26 June
- Artwork collection: 27-28 June

Community Development Officer will meet with The Central Australian Art Society to discuss the curation of the Rediscovery Centre space.

Discussion ensued about changing the date of the opening night as it conflicts with the Finke Desert Race event. Community Development Officer will check the availability of the space.

**ACTION:**

Community Development Officer will confirm the date and update the terms and conditions document and poster, and will send update to the Committee.

**4.8 Parks Artwork EOI**

The Parks Artwork EOI opened 24 March 2021 and closed 8am 12 April 2021. Three EOI submissions for the Art in Parks public art project have been received.

The Committee reviewed the EOIs to determine who of the EOI respondents would proceed to the concept proposal stage. A matrix to review the EOIs has been provided, as per the ASALC Artwork EOI review process.

Councillor Banks enquired about the budget threshold for EOIs artwork moving forward. Councillor Banks asked if the aesthetic component in the matrix can be included in future.

**ACTION:**

Community Development Officer to check the budget threshold for public art EOI and come back to the Committee.

**RESOLVED:**

That it be a recommendation to Council:

**That the EOI submission from J9 Stanton be accepted to develop the concept proposal for the Parks artwork.**

Moved: Miriam Wallace

Seconded: Councillor Satour

#### **4.9 TIO Traeger Oval Wall Mural**

Community Development Officer reported that AusCon NT was engaged to complete the anti-graffiti coating on the wall. At the time of application, there was no noticeable damage to the wall as it had only just been completed. Upon returning to the wall to review, it was evident there was an irrigation leak from Traeger Park and water was seeping through the mound on the other side of the brickwork causing the paint to lift. There are three sections with noticeable moisture damage.

AusCon NT advised that the damage will continue, as the back of the bricks were not prepped with bitumen paint and plastic to prevent water damage through to the paintwork.

High quality photography of the wall is currently being undertaken to document the wall in its recently completed state. Quotations to print the artwork onto aluminium composite boards and attach to the wall (similar to the Library Wall mural) have been sought.

An assessment of the wall will be undertaken, and recommendations for artwork attachment or repair will be provided at the next Public Art Advisory Committee meeting.

Mayor Ryan asked if the repair cost will come out of the PAAC budget. The Community Development Officer advised that this is to be determined and could be negotiated with Technical Services Department.

#### **ACTION:**

Community Development Officer to provide a report on the wall mural going forward at the next PAAC meeting.

#### **4.10 Don Thomas Mural**

Manager Community and Cultural Development has met with Eleanor Hogan, Special Collections Coordinator at the Library who has researched Don Thomas and the Don Thomas Mural. The information will be provided to Scott McConnell as part of a site visit, to discuss the scope of works.

#### **4.11 Traffic Calming Devices in Todd Mall**

Technical Services to provide an update at the next meeting.

### **5. DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

### **6. OTHER BUSINESS:**

#### **6.1 Traeger Park Hockey Mural**

Director Technical Services advised that the Traeger Park Hockey shed has been finished and there is an opportunity to paint a mural on the western side facing the Stuart Highway. Technical Services has an allocation of \$2,500 that can contribute towards a mural.

The Committee discussed about using the allocated money towards the cost of anti-graffiti paint or concept design. Councillor Banks suggested expanding the medium in the EOI going forward, to prevent from previous mistakes we encountered in our EOI process.

**ACTION:**

Community Development Officer to investigate indicative cost towards this project and report back to the next meeting.

**7. NEXT MEETING:**

Wednesday, **12 May 2021**, at 1:00pm

**8. CLOSURE OF MEETING:**

The meeting adjourned at 1:47pm