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PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION	October 16, 2025
MEETING MINUTES	Forest Grove City Auditorium, ZOOM

Minutes Approved as Presented 11.20.2025

1.	CALLED TO ORDER:
	Dana Eytzen, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
	ROLL CALL: Dana Eytzen, Brian Harris, Brenna Cooper, Pat Truax, Linda Taylor, Emily Lux, Orson Marcel, Mariah Amador
	ABSENT:
	EXCUSED: Susan Dieter-Robinson, Kathleen Leatham
	STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Winters
	COUNCIL PRESENT: Donna Gustafson
2.	<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u>
	None
3.	CONSENT AGENDA:
	September 18 minutes – consent scheduled for next PAC meeting

4.	<u>ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:</u>
5.	<p>Discussion/Decision Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Downtown Art Installation(s)/26-27 TLT funds — Clock and rotating gallery Colleen will be submitting a request for a subcommittee. 2. 20th Anniversary Celebration Colleen advised against an all-year celebration. PAC agrees. Dana offered the idea of perhaps getting pictures of murals printed and Emily asked PAC if having something in conjunction with the market or a separate PAC event

instead. Dana felt that maybe a bigger PAC event at the library would be better and PAC agreed.

3. Dana informed PAC that the Frye's Building is having some water leakage problems and they will likely need to remove the mural. Colleen stated that there is no specific penalty for taking down the mural before the contract length per se, but PAC should decide on whether or not we should impose one. PAC agrees that the relationship is more important and no penalties would be needed in this case, and Dana suggested there may be an opportunity to collaborate on a new mural in that space. Emily reinforced that preserving the relationship is more important. Linda & Emily suggested preserving the mural with photography or even perhaps reproduce the mural using other existing technologies (e-panel, etc). Emily said that she would seek a quote for a reproduction. Colleen suggested that once PAC has a solid idea, we should make a proposal.

4. Garbage Cans

Councilor Gustafson stated that the Mayor had seen garbage cans with historical photos and thought maybe Forest Grove could do the same. She said that the council had a discussion about this and spoke about different ways to mount the photos and asked if PAC could research to see what other cities have used (Ashland) and how we might incorporate that. Colleen heard at a department directors meeting and her understanding was that there are 22 garbage cans and there is a lot of enthusiasm to do something with them. She also shared at that meeting that PAC might be interested in placing artwork on the cans. Attention would need to be paid to the material the garbage cans are made of (recycled material) and how the media would be attached, whatever is chosen. Colleen stated that Jesse would like PAC to take the lead, possibly in conjunction with the Historic Landmarks Board if historical pictures are used. Dana suggested we put out a call for artists, choose 22 of them, and each get their three sides of a garbage can. Linda suggested using the artwork on the garbage cans as a way to form a city-centered narrative. Pat suggested a call for art for some cans, and others a collaboration with historical society (photos).

Colleen will add a second sub-committee request so that PAC could devote more time to this project and PAC agrees. Dana, Mariah, Emily, Brenna and Pat would like to be on this subcommittee.

INFORMATION/ UPDATES:

1. Plaques- Lynne has them and will be getting them on their schedule to install.

2. Community Open House

Colleen updated PAC with some information regarding the annual town meeting (CCE). What she has learned from the FG communications person, Stephanie, they would be just inviting the community to come learn about the city but, there will only be one B&C table for all B&C's and that if PAC wanted to have a presence there, perhaps some members could attend to just talk to folks about public arts. Dana said she would make some new name-tags for everyone and Linda said she would be attending and could represent PAC there.

3. Fall Into Art

Pat updated PAC about the written proposal regarding 97116 Art Show and Fall Into Art events – both happening simultaneously on 11/21. Emily asked for a correction on dates and times and Pat will update the document. Dana asked about tables for artists and Pat said she would talk

	<p>to artists about their plans for tables. The artists will be Maggie Pike, Geneva Houx and Kathy Compton. Emily and Dana volunteered to find some backup artists in case they are needed.</p> <p>4. Finance Report From Dana: nothing new to report</p>
6.	INFORMATION / UPDATE ITEMS:
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7.	<p><u>B/C COMMUNICATIONS:</u> Emily wanted to share with PAC that ICE had been in her schools' neighborhood, harassing students and families. She told PAC that it was frightening. She wanted to remind PAC that we are a form of community leader and she wanted to plant the seed about being as supportive as possible whether it's about art or not.</p> <p>Dana mentioned that Waltz will have live music tomorrow night – Dumpster Joe and the Boys.</p>
8.	<p><u>STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:</u> Colleen shared that recruitment was underway for assistant community manager position. Last Monday was the interview with the 3 finalists. Process is good and candidates have been good. She also wanted to remind folks of WCCLS library levy vote coming up. She also mentioned that book sale is happening today, tomorrow and Saturday.</p>
9.	<p><u>COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:</u> Donna let PAC know that the city is going to speak with Kelly (board member downtown association) and going to try out holiday lights around tree trunks with the idea of testing to see if they wanted to buy in the future (year-round).</p>

10.	ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:
	Next meeting November 20 @ 5pm in Rogers Room in Library
11.	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> The meeting was adjourned by Dana at 6:03pm

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	Respectfully Submitted by Brian Harris
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