Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on March 12, 2014, within the Tempe Marketplace, 2000 E. Rio Salado Parkway Suite 1005, Tempe, AZ 85281.

(MEMBERS) Present:  
Celina Chiarello  
Christine Cirillo-Ching  
Dave Kephart – Vice Chair  
Hotchy Kiene  
Kiyomi Kurooka  
David Lucier  
Robert Moore  
Gail Natale  
Kelly Nelson - Chair

(MEMBERS) Absent:  
Susan Bendix  
Hilary Harp  
Celeste Plumlee  
Janis Webb

City Staff Present:  
Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator – Arts Grants, Public Art, Art in Private Development  
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant  
Shelley Hearn, Community Services Director  
Barbara Roberts, Deputy Community Services Director  
Fran Santos, Assistant City Attorney/Police Commander

Guest(s) Present:  
Colleen Donohoe & Madison Creech, Artists – IN FLUX  
Melissa Martinez, Artist – Mitchell Park Neighborhood Grant Project  
David Saar, Mitchel Park East NA  
Penny Wilson & Stephanie Machen, Mitchell Park West NA

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order  
- Kelly Nelson, TMAC Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the February 12, 2014, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document  
- Kelly Nelson asked the TMAC members to review an unapproved TMAC minutes document dated February 12, 2014.
- SECOND: Christine Cirillo-Ching seconded.
- DECISION: Approved as presented.
Agenda Item 3 – Chairperson’s Announcements

- Kelly Nelson, TMAC Chair, made the following announcements:
  - Celina Chiarello was recently appointed to serve as a Tempe Municipal Arts Commission member.
  - Discussed efforts commission members can use when advocating for the arts in Tempe: email friends about art events, provide others with information about public art in Tempe, get people thinking/knowing about art. Kiyomi Kurooka and Robert Moore will work with Kelly to put together information for local tour operators (ex. Segway tours along Tempe Town Lake).

Agenda Item 4 – IN FLUX Initiative

- Commission members visited the IN FLUX art installation by artists Colleen Donohoe & Madison Creech at Tempe Marketplace titled To Meet Together in One Place, currently on view through October, 2014. The artists were present to discuss their artwork [http://influxaz.com/colleen-donohoe-and-madison-creech.html](http://influxaz.com/colleen-donohoe-and-madison-creech.html)

Agenda Item 5 – Mitchell Park East & West NA(s), Neighborhood Grant

- David Saar, Mitchell Park East NA member, and Penny Wilson, Mitchell Park West NA member, described the focus of the Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant project currently underway. The project will be located within two medians on 13th Street just east of Hardy Drive. Artist Melissa Martinez was chosen after collecting input from Mitchell Park residents.
- Melissa Martinez described her artwork as representing a flock of birds descending into the neighborhood.

Agenda Item 6 – TMAC Duties and Responsibilities

- Fran Santos, COT Assistant City Attorney/Police Commander, reviewed and clarified the five Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Powers and Duties outlined in Sec. 2-204 of the Tempe City Code. [www.tempe.gov/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=20200](http://www.tempe.gov/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=20200)

Agenda Item 7 – Tempe Arts Master Plan

- Shelley Hearn, COT Community Services Director explained the need for Tempe to develop a new Arts and Culture Master Plan, which would assist the City in forming a unified vision for the arts in Tempe. The City will be issuing a RFP for a consultant to facilitate the process.

Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items

- Robert Moore would like to add a discussion about Neighborhood Grant mentoring, previously initiated at the January 8, 2014 TMAC meeting.

Agenda Item 9 – Commission Member’s Announcements

Hotchy Kiene announced that Phoenix New Times has determined the finalists for the 2014 Big Brain Awards, which honors emerging Phoenix creatives in five categories. http://blogs.phoenixnewtimes.com/bella/2014/03/2014_big_brain_awa