



## MINUTES OF THE CITY OF PRESCOTT ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE

**Art in Public Places Committee  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
December 14, 2018  
1:30 p.m.**

**Prescott City Hall  
Lower Level Conference Room  
201 South Cortez, Prescott, Arizona  
(928) 777-1100**

Minutes of the Art in Public Places Committee Meeting held on December 14, 2018 at the City Hall Lower Level Conference Room, located at 201 S. Cortez Street, Prescott, AZ 86303.

A. Call to Order at 11:17 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Present:

Cynthia Gresser, Chair

Ron Miller, Committee member

Thomas Restifo, Committee member

Michael Rothmiller, Committee member

Alexandra Rudolph, Committee member

Quorum established

Also present: Toni Johnson, Joe Baynes, Tyler Goodman, Susan Cohen and Natalie Krol, Silver Tornado artist were also present.

C. Approval of minutes from regular meeting on April 17, 2018

Referencing the April 17, 2018 meeting minutes item D., Thomas Restifo suggested adding to the minutes that there was a letter sent out on May 24 by Tyler, referencing Mr. Galazans donation, stating that after looking at the site, the costs were too much, therefore this issue is closed. Motion made by Thomas, seconded by Michael.

Tyler suggested adding to the minutes that related to item F., he heard back from Michael Gotowka, on the Frederick Remington, it came from New Orleans about 20 years ago, he paid \$350 for it and it is a replication/copy not an original, therefore this item is also closed.

Both of these items (Mr. Galazan and Mr. Gotowka) are now closed.

Cindy motioned to approve changes to these two items, Ron seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- D. Discussion of November 2018 meeting between Cindy Gresser, Tyler Goodman, Toni Johnson, Susan Cohen and Natalie Krol, artist/sculptor of the Silver Tornado statue that she donated to the City. Cindy gave an overview of the artist Natalie Krol and the statue, Silver Tornado adding that during the meeting in November Natalie gave an overview of how she made the statue and asked if the committee would consider replacing the lights and plaque and trimming the bushes/trees that are near the statue for higher visibility of the statue. Cindy also suggested asking if the committee would consider a re-dedication ceremony sometime prior to the rodeo in July 2019.

Natalie began her power point presentation and she talked about how she decided to place the statue in front of the hospital and how she decided to create the statue of a bull. Natalie went on to say that she saw a pedestal in front of the hospital that needed something on it. She wanted to create a bull because she learned that a local attorney in town previously had a holding pen for Saler bulls on the property where the hospital is now. She created a small version of the bull, putting it in the bucking position. She made 20 of these to sell to pay for the cost of the statue. The statue was originally placed in front of the hospital in 1996, with a dedication plaque that featured the name of the statue "Silver Tornado" and the artists name, Natalie Krol, however, the plaque was subsequently stolen. There were lights installed at the site, however, the electricity was cut off years ago.

- E. Cindy stated that in 1996 when the bull was installed, there were fewer trees around it. Grass and vegetation around it were almost non-existent and there was more visibility of the statue. There were also lights and a plaque that recognized Natalie's gift to the City. Cindy stated that this is an important piece to the City's art catalog. She suggested that it is a good opportunity for a re-dedication prior to the rodeo, to bring attention to this piece of art and to recognize Natalie's gift and bring attention to the statue. Cindy asked about the status of electric to the statue area. Joe Baynes found electrical conduit near the statue. He said that we could also add solar lights. Cindy said that there is a water drainage area that runs along the area of the statue. Joe said it is actually a spring and that his staff can try to make it more visible and he thinks there is one tree that can be removed as it does block visibility of the statue. Tom asked if anyone has ever considered moving it to another place. Natalie said she would have to be involved because it is sitting in concrete in its own frame, it would have to be removed properly with help from her engineers and a crane. Tom stated that it would look good on Hwy. 89 near the future golf course traffic circle. Cindy asked if there were plans for that area, Tyler added that is an ADOT project not a City project, we would have to ask ADOT. Deep Well traffic circle already has a future piece, as the developer wants to place a statue there. Cindy asked Tyler how that would work, Tyler said that eventually, that would be handed over to the City for maintenance and someone would have to contact ADOT. Toni stated that she knows the contact at ADOT she used to work for him, the ADOT District Engineer. Cindy asked Natalie if she

wants the committee to improve the current situation or move it to the middle of a traffic circle, if possible.

Natalie asked if it could be moved to the "island" in front of the gas station. Cindy said that "island" may not be City right of way and that it may not be a safe place. Cindy said that she thinks providing the infrastructure on that island would be more costly to the City than placing it in a traffic circle. Tom added that it would be more visible in a traffic circle. Cindy asked Joe about the hospital expanding the hospital parking lot. Natalie said the biggest cost will be a crane because the statue weighs 7 tons and the concrete/base weighs about 20 tons. Discussion that Asphalt, Paving & Supply (APS) is doing the road construction on Hwy 89 near golf course traffic circle. Cindy suggested to ask APS to help with the cost. Discussion about moving the concrete. Natalie has a contact whose husband has a large crane. Further discussion about possible details of moving the statue. Ron asked Toni if ADOT has state funds for art highway projects. Toni said she does not know but she can find out.

Ron, back to original proposal, tidy up the current area, provide lights. Ron asked if the committee can agree now to tidy up the area now and then approach moving it later. Cindy asked Joe, is there anything else that can be done in that area to provide better visibility. Joe said he can provide lights and it will not be that costly. Joe suggested that if the committee thinks it wants to look into the feasibility of moving it, they should. Joe thinks it will be close to 30 tons to move everything. Natalie stated that you have to move the concrete structure because the bull is attached to it, or it could crack the frame and then you have structural problems. Natalie would want to approach her welder to see if he can help with moving it. Alex said that moving it would increase the visibility of it but would we need to get engineering approval/recommendations and present to Council why moving it is best. Cindy agreed.

Ron: since this is the property of the City now, Natalie's proposal is to tidy up the current space the City would pay for that and asked if some of the costs to move it could be paid by the artist of the statue. Natalie said no way, she donated the statue and that was already a lot of money, the statue cost her \$80,000. Alex said that the City let things become untidy (lights, plaque) the City should cover the costs of maintaining the current situation.

Alex made a motion: have a preliminary engineering report/feasibility study done about feasibility/movement of the statue to maintain the integrity of the piece.

Cindy amended the motion to add: direct city staff to look into an overall feasibility of moving it, potential approval from ADOT to place in traffic circle, include engineering and other costs, have Parks & Rec do some tree trimming and clean up the existing area, hold off on plaque until we know where the ultimate location will be.

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Ron seconded, all in favor. Passed unanimously.

Cindy asked Tyler if a meeting in 30 days would be appropriate. Tyler stated that we may not have a full feasibility cost study done and Toni added that the committee could meet in 30 or 45 days, depending upon when needed.

Cindy asked the committee if they have any other business. No other business stated.

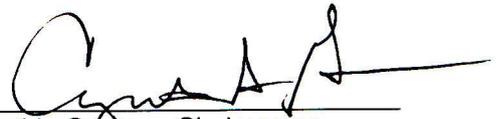
Cindy made a Motion to adjourn at 12:00 p.m. seconded by Alex. Passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Gresser adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Toni Johnson, Library Manager



Cynthia Gresser, Chairperson

Date: 1-31-19