

MAYOR'S COMMISSION – AIRPORT PASSENGER TERMINAL ART  
MEETING MINUTES  
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR'S COMMISSION – AIRPORT PASSENGER TERMINAL ART MEETING HELD ON January 19, 2021  
virtually via Zoom.

A. Call to Order

Chairman Frank Newman called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

B. Roll Call

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Cindy Gresser, Ron Miller, Frank Newman, Nicole Sorenson, Margo Christenson, Michael Gjede

COUNCIL LIASION: Steve Sischka, Absent

CITY STAFF: Robin Sobotta, Airport Director; Kristi Miller, Airport Management Analyst; Kate Jouglet, Airport Administration Specialist

C. Approval of Minutes for the 11/19/2020 Meeting

Commissioner Frank Newman made a motion to approve the 11/19/2020 minutes. Commissioner Ron Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

D. Discussion

a. Working Group Process

Airport Administration Specialist, Kate Jouglet, reviewed the current process for art submissions. Chairman Frank Newman added that he would like to add a section for Airport Staff and the Chairman to provide feedback between initial screening and logistics evaluations. City Council Liaison for Art in Public Places, Cathey Rusing, introduced herself and requested clarification on FAA Grant Assurances. Airport Management Analyst Kristi Miller explained FAA Grant Assurances and offered further explanation offline.

Commissioner Ron Miller asked Airport Staff if a lift would be available for installing art that is located high up on the walls or on the ceilings.

Chairman Frank Newman mentioned concern about outlets on New Terminal walls and whether it will be acceptable to hang art over them or not in designated art areas. Frank requested Airport Staff identify which outlets within art-specific areas will be used for other purposes.

Commissioner Michael Gjede noted that not all art will require electricity and that he and Commissioner Margo Christenson will do a tour of the terminal to better gauge where artwork can go.

b. Working Group Reports (Screening Evaluation, Logistics, and Funding Group Review)

Commissioner Ron Miller spoke on behalf of the Initial Evaluation Working Group. Ron announced that he and Commissioner Nicole Sorenson have screened 32 submissions, with 12 high quality items, and 4 approved items. Ron detailed that 2 art pieces were moving forward and 2 art pieces are pending/in progress at the next stage. Ron explained that a lot of submissions were of Watson Lake and that a mobile had been submitted. Ron or Nicole will be the liaison for Art in Public Places and will present to them as soon as possible. City Council Liaison for Art in Public Places Cathey Rusing voiced that art would be put on

the consent agenda when brought to City Council so there should be no problem getting it approved. Ron asked how far in advance City Staff needs notification to have art put on the agenda for City Council. Management Analyst Kristi Miller requested that the art is provided to her 14 days in advance for placement on City Council agenda. Commissioner Mike Gjede asked if the background of one of the presented art pieces has to be white. Ron voiced the print shop should be able to print it on a plastic sheet with see-through background.

Commissioner Margo Christenson spoke on behalf of the Logistics Working Group and asked if anything be hung above fire place. Management Analyst Kristi Miller confirmed that this was acceptable and would require coordination with the New Terminal architect.

Commissioner Cindy Gresser spoke on behalf of the Funding Working Group and presented that the presented image of the statue is the vision for the bronze Ernest A Love statue that would go outside of the New Terminal. A pedestal base would be required. Cindy stated that cost is up in the air and depends on how large statue is. If a life-size statue, it will be \$250,000, and therefore, fundraising must occur. A grand opening fundraiser was an idea but this cannot happen because of the pandemic. However, activities like that could raise \$50,000 and future fundraising efforts could include selling pavers to memorialize donors. Arizona Community Foundation's Carol Chamberlain is retiring. Outgoing ACF members can request large amounts of funds be dedicated to a project-of-choice. Carol has indicated to Commissioner Gresser that she would like the statue to be her selected project and has requested \$100,000. Cindy thinks she will be able to raise the rest of money needed through galas with large donors. Commissioner Mike Gjede has been working with Harry Oberg with Friends of the Airport.

Chairman Frank Newman asked the timeline for installing the statue. Cindy confirmed the timeline is between 12-24 months depending on size. Cindy said that Prescott Area Arts & Humanities Council has confirmed their willingness to serve as the non-profit to create a fund with Arizona Community Foundation for funding for the statue.

Commissioner Mike Gjede asked Commissioner Cindy Gresser for the weight of the statue. Cindy said the statue would be less than 500 lbs. Mike asked if there is an expiration date on the funds from Arizona Community Foundation. Cindy confirmed there is no expiration date and that these funds will go into a separate account and gain interest until used.

E. Voting Agenda

a. Three Phase Process (Terminal Opening, 1 Year After Opening, Long Term Procurement and Rotation)

Chairman Frank Newman presented a Three Phase Process which includes various goals for the new terminal opening, 1 year after opening, and long-term procurement and rotation within the new terminal. Frank presented the idea to use digital advertising screens when not being utilized for advertising, to use art that the City already owns to be aesthetic. Frank made a motion to support the three-phase process. Commissioner Mike Gjede seconded the motion. The motion was carried 6-0.

b. Approval of art for placement at Airport Passenger Terminal to be transferred to the Art in Public Places Committee.

Commissioner Mike Gjede made a motion to approve William DeRouchey's submission of "Antique Wooden Propeller" to transfer to the Art in Public Places Committee for review. Commissioner Ron Miller seconded the motion. The motion was carried 6-0.

Commissioner Ron Miller made a motion to approve Theresa Rose Ditson's submission of "Sunrise at Watson Lake" to transfer to the Art in Public Places Committee for review. Margo Christenson seconded this motion. The motion was carried 6-0.

F. Adjournment

Chairman Frank Newman adjourned the meeting at 3:09 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2021 at 1:30 PM via Zoom call.

Submitted by:



Frank Newman, Commission Chair

3/25/21

Date



Kristi Miller, Staff Liaison

4/01/2021

Date