



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes

Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*Stephanie Haaser, Chair; Jasmine Stephens, Vice-Chair; Anna Buckthorpe; Tim Foley; and
Andy Wright, Members*

Thursday, October 23, 2025

5:30 PM

Mesa Public Library, 2400 Central Ave
Los Alamos, NM 87544
3rd Floor, Meeting Room 2/3
Zoom (see agenda for the link)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order at 5:30 pm.

Present 4 - Board Member Haaser, Board Member Stephens, Board Member
Foley and Board Member Wright

Absent 1 - Board Member Buckthorpe

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

3. BUSINESS

A. 20784-25 Approval of Minutes from the September 25, 2025 APP Meeting

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Attachments: [A - APP Meeting Minutes from the September 25, 2025](#)

Vice-Chair Stephens - Move, Member Wright - 2nd. Approved 3-0. Member
Foley not yet present. Came in at 5:35pm.
accepted

B. [20785-25](#) Working Group Updates

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

a) Homesteaders Art Project Working Group: Members: Jasmine Stevens, Anna Buckthorpe,

Loretta Weiss, David Hampton, Jill Lang

- Vice Chair Stephens read updates from Member Buckthorpe's email. She was able to speak with Yvonne and had some suggestions regarding Homesteaders art.

b) Police Station Art Project Working Group: Members: Jasmine Stevens, Tim Foley, James

Rodrigues, Russell Naranjo

- Chelsea Ashcraft gave an update. Updated the Board on the stipends. One person will not be accepting stipend, and Carrie Quade withdrew their submission.

c) Semi Quincentennial Art Competition Working Group: Members: Tim Foley, Andy Wright

- Member Wright updated the Board. A draft of a Call for Art was created. Step Up Gallery is helping with the event planning.

d) Strategic Plan Working Group: Members: Stephanie Haaser, Tim Foley, Chelsea Ashcraft

- Chelsea Ashcraft and Chair Haaser updated the Board. The Art Questionnaire went out. There have been 179 responses so far. Advertisement for the questionnaire has gone out twice in the paper and to Los Alamos County employees. 179 people took the 1st questionnaire, 73 people took the 2nd questionnaire, and 53 people took the 3rd questionnaire. It was suggested to ask LANL to put in their public newsletter, LANL Today. They have also reached out to the Teen Center.

C. [20786-25](#) Discussion Regarding "The Clowns"

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Member Foley updated the Board. He gave some background information on "The Clowns" art piece. There used to be baseball fields where "The Clowns" mural is now. He suggested moving the mural to where the baseball fields are now at North Mesa. Comments from the Board and Councilor Neal-Clinton were made. Member Foley suggested contacting the Parks and Recreation Board to discuss space at the baseball fields and creating a working group to work on this and do some research. Chair Haaser created a working group to explore the feasibility of moving "The Clowns" and then talk to the County. Member Foley and Vice Chair Stephens are the Working Group liaisons. Member Foley would like to move the art piece the North Mesa baseball fields, while Vice Chair Stephens likes the art piece where it currently is.

D. [20787-25](#) Discussion of Pacific Coast Maintenance Report

Presenters: Chelsea Ashcraft

Attachments: [A - Los Alamos Maintenance 2025](#)
[B - Los Alamos Maintenance Summary 2025](#)

Chelsea Ashcraft updated the Board on the Pacific Coast report. The cleaning, repair, and maintenance of "Tranquility" was discussed. Maintenance on the "Pinon Maze" at the Splash Pad was asked about. They will discuss next steps and use the Art Questionnaire results to create a plan.

E. [20789-25](#) Discussion of 2026 APPB Work Plan

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Attachments: [B - Art in Public Places 2025 Work Plan FINAL](#)
[A - Art in Public Places 2026 Work Plan FIRST DRAFT](#)

Chelsea Ashcraft updated the Board on the APP Work Plan. It is due in December. The Board was asked to look it over to discuss edits and updates in the next meeting. Member Foley suggested adding date ranges.

F. [20791-25](#) Pending Items List

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

- a) Justice Center Wall Mosaic
 - Rough draft of contract in Legal Dept. Target date to start project is June 2026. Looking into using a room at the Mesa Public Library for the community involvement part. Installation logistics were discussed.
- b) Senior Center Security Gate
 - Working on the contract. A smaller contract for the gate installation will also be needed.
- c) Nature Center Sculpture (Oct. 10, 2025- contract went to legal review)
 - Contract has been written. It went to the Legal Dept on October 10th. There were some issues with who the vendor the contract would be written to.
- d) Lion Sculpture artist stipends
 - Down to 3 finalists. In Procurement now.
- e) Oppie/Groves & Pollyanna Plaques installation by Parks Division
 - Benches are gone that were around Pollyanna. The area around Pollyanna is complete and the plaque has been installed.
- f) White Rock Pottery Relocation
 - no updates at this time.

4. **BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATION**

A. [20792-25](#) Staff Liaison Report

Presenters: Chelsea Ashcraft

Staff Liaison Chelsea Ashcraft provided the Staff Liaison report. Updates were given on the following items.

- Donation to the library is complete. It has been installed and labeled with a plaque.
- Amanda Jaffee ribbon cutting went well.
- Council approved the stipends for the Lion Sculpture. Carrie Quade withdrew their application. The next step is creating contracts.
- Art Archive contract expires in May 2026. Working with Procurement on a RFQ Process.
- Reminder that the November and December meeting dates will be a little different because of the Holidays. They will be November 20th and December 18th, the 3rd Thursday of the month instead of the 4th Thursday.

B. [20793-25](#) Chairman's Report

Presenters: Stephanie Haaser

Chair Haaser had no updates for the Chairman's report.

5. **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Neal-Clinton provided an update on Council. No updates at this time.

6. **PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING - November 20, 2025**

Working Group updates
Questionnaire and Maintenance discussion
APP Work Plan edits and updates

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 6:28pm.

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