

SIOUX FALLS ARTS COMMISSION
Regular Meeting and Working Session
Tuesday, September 9, 2025, 1:00 pm
Conference Room #208
City Center, 231 N. Dakota Ave., Sioux Falls, SD

MEETING ASSISTANCE: UPON REQUEST, ACCOMMODATIONS FOR MEETINGS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. PLEASE CONTACT THE HUMAN RELATIONS OFFICE, FIRST FLOOR, CITY HALL, 224 WEST 9TH STREET, SIOUX FALLS, SD AT 367-8745 (VOICE) OR 367-7039 (TDD) 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

Agenda

ITEM 1. Call to Order and Quorum Determination Jennifer

Commissioner Hoelsing called meeting to order at 1:02pm.

ITEM 2. Welcome Members and Guests Jennifer

ITEM 3. Approval of Regular Agenda Jennifer

ITEM 4. Approval of August 12, 2025 Minutes Jennifer

ITEM 5. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items (*Chairperson*) Jennifer
(5-minute comment period per individual)

ITEM 6. Old Business Maren

- a. Orpheum Theatre Project Update Maren
- b. Creative Intersections Project Update Maren
- c. Community Partnership Program

ITEM 7. New Business Maren

- a. Cultural Planning
 - Commission Priorities
 - Review Keen Deliverables
 - Stakeholders
 - Communications and Branding

ITEM 8. Announcements

- a. Next Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 9th at 1:00pm

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ITEM 7. Adjournment

Jennifer

August Meeting Minutes

SIOUX FALLS ARTS COMMISSION

Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 1:00 pm

Conference Room #204

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Agenda

Members Present: Vaney Hariri, Jennifer Smith Hoelsing, Ivy Oland Dandar, Em Nguyen, Lisa Conlin, Jim Spiers

Staff Present: Maren Engel, Arts Coordinator

ITEM 1. Call to Order and Quorum Determination

Jennifer

Commissioner Hoelsing called meeting to order at 1:02pm.

ITEM 2. Welcome Members and Guests

Jennifer

ITEM 3. Approval of Regular Agenda

Jennifer

Commissioner Spiers made the motion to approve the regular agenda and commissioner Hariri seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

ITEM 4. Approval of July 8th, 2025 Minutes

Jennifer

Commissioner Spiers made the motion to approve the meeting minutes, and commissioner Nguyen seconded the motion. The minutes approved unanimously.

ITEM 5. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items (*Chairperson*)
(*5-minute comment period per individual*)

Jennifer

Commissioner Spiers shared details regarding a recent trip to DC to advocate for preserving NEA funding, in conjunction with Americans for the Arts. They were joined by Julie from Cheyenne River Youth Project who hosts a federally funded annual program called Red Can Graffiti Jam. SD legislatures expressed support for the NEA and did not feel that the cut would be significant.

ITEM 6. Old Business

Maren

d. Orpheum Theatre Project Update

Maren shared an update on the selected artist for the Orpheum Theatre project and a plan to do significant community engagement on September 6th which will include the artist tabling at the Sidewalk Arts Festival and holding youth workshops at the Orpheum Theatre.

e. Cultural Plan Update and Planning

Maren

- Advisory Committee
- Naming
- Communication Needs
- Stakeholders

Discussion tabled until working session to be scheduled for September.

ITEM 7. New Business

Maren

b. Best in Show Approval

The Commission reviewed the VAC's recommendation to name "Tetra Totem in Azul Emperial" as this year's Best of Show sculpture to be purchased by the City and added to its permanent collection. Commissioner Hoelsing made a motion to approve the recommendation and Commissioner Nguyen seconded the motion. The recommendation was approved unanimously. SculptureWalk will be informed, and announcement will be made in the coming weeks.

c. Community Arts Partners

Maren shared an update on the City's Community Partnership Program which will be announced publicly at the end of the month.

d. Commission Project Priorities

Maren shared details regarding a conversation with Patrick Gale at the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation about sharing possible projects and initiatives of the Commission that the foundation might support with donor dollars. Maren will be working to draft a "menu" of priorities to share with Patrick and Andy Patterson.

ITEM 8. Announcements

b. Next Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 9th at 1:00pm

ITEM 7. Adjournment

Jennifer