



MEETING NOTES
Cultural Arts & Public Spaces Committee (CAPS)
JULY 24 2025
6:00 PM
SUPERIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
1500 COALTON ROAD

This meeting will be held in person and online. Members of the public may [participate in the meeting via Zoom](#) or [view the meeting on YouTube](#) (closed captioning available). The recording of the meeting will be made available after the meeting on [YouTube](#) and at [SuperiorColorado.gov](#)

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Andrew Vaughan called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
2. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Roll Call
Present: Chairman Andrew Vaughan, Vice-chair Susan Chevalier, Chris Nunes, Brandon Opalka, Liza McKenzie, Stephanie Coffin, Sherry Smith (via Zoom).
Staff Present: Jennifer “JG” Garner, Arts and History Supervisor
Council Member Present: N/A
Absent: Council Member Neal Shah
Guest: Ardyce Lebowitz, prospective CAPS member
 - b. Approval of Agenda
Stephanie set a motion to approve the agenda and Susan seconded.
Agenda approved.
 - c. Public Comment (limit 5 minutes/person)
None.
 - d. Guest presentation: Building & Planning department per Town Comprehensive Plan
Town staff members Geoffrey Weathers and Alex Haefling of the Planning and Building department presented the current draft and a brief discussion ensued about how and where Town Planning may align with CAPS and the PROS department. CAPS indicated they would like for public art to be proactively included in any and all future development plans.
 - e. Guest presentation: Leah Marie of Street Wise Arts
Leah Marie, Founder and Executive Director of Street Wise Arts gave a brief presentation about how her organization helps to facilitate the mural festival that happens annually in Boulder. She touched on how she could help CAPS host a similar festival in Superior in the future.
3. Staff Updates
 - a. Reminder of content deadlines for Comms; supplies and event/workshop setup plans.
JG reiterated the need for as much advance planning as possible.
 - b. Chili & Beer Fest booth
CAPS generally agreed to not have a booth.

4. General Updates & Debriefing

a. Updates

- i. Marshall Fire Remembrance all-advisory group subcommittee
RFQ is live, closing date is 8/12.

b. Debriefing

- i. N/A

c. Upcoming Events

- i. Superior Pairings #4 August 26, 6:30 p.m. at Civic Space
Boulder Philharmonic and Boulder Ballet conducted a site visit at Civic Space and are impressed. Susan and JG will continue to work out details and needs for the event.

5. Work Plan Check-In

a. Superior Pairings #5

Susan continues to finalize planning and is working with JG on Civic Space event details.

b. Rainworks

The invisible rain-activated art via invisible spray resist and stencils is a project CAPS would like to launch on different sidewalk areas around Town. Supplies have finally arrived and are ready to go. Sherry can participate in the group installation after August 1st so any time after that she is available to advise on the stenciling process. Due to the longevity of the product, the invisible stencils be visible all through fall/winter, due to rain and/or snow melt. JG indicated that Town pools close for the season around Labor Day so CAPS should consider whether or not to stencil on the pool decks this season or wait until 2026. Per the installation by CAPS members, a work session will be organized by JG, and Andrew, Liza, and Stephanie volunteered to help on the tentative date of August 2nd.

c. Mural planning

JG has been conferring with the artist Hilary Williams about underpass wall height and the ability to get all final measurements to her once the RCP construction is completed; slated for the end of July or first week of August. JG has completed all contracting and payment schedule with the artist. Mural project is slated to begin on September 22.

d. Artwork plaques

Drew has been working with Dalton who is receptive to ideas but ultimately JG and Andrew will finalize the plan.

e. Digital Event

CAPS needs to brainstorm about the digital screens in and out of storage, the potential for event frequency and use, and overall regular programming of them. JG reminded the group that the screen at the Community Center is currently blank and unprogrammed, plus that a slideshow converted to an MP4 file is ultimately the best per a thumb drive.

f. Peace Poles

Idea tabled, to be revisited next year.

6. Discussion Items

- a. Neighborhood Sponsorship proposals [McCool, Nalvens] (vote)

- Andrew motions to approve McCool application, Stephanie seconds. All vote yes but Susan abstains. McCool proposal approved.
 - Stephanie motions to approve Nalven proposal, Andrew seconds. Nalven proposal approved unanimously.
- b. Finalize August 25 Council-Committee Dinner agenda
- Recommend that Arts & History division be separated from PROS, at least budgetarily, for future funding eligibility purposes; Sundance programming funding; future murals and mural festival.
- c. CAPS remaining 2025 budget planning
- Brief discussion of remaining budget items. Chris suggests using the \$25K to buy a pre-made piece of art and have it installed. Each CAPS member to research one or more pieces of art, plus a location suggestion, and submit it to JG. The resulting research will be presented at the next meeting.
- d. Guided art tour
- Susan suggested a walking tour of the public art collection to be considered for the 2026 Work Plan. The tour would help bolster awareness about the existing collection and help residents understand the process for acquiring new public artworks
- e. Work session date for public art location scouting
- Rainworks location scouting and installation – TBD
 - Public art location scouting, on September 13th at 10 a.m.; meet at Community Park/Williams Field.

7. Adjourn

Susan motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:58 p.m. and Stephanie seconded.
Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 28, 2025 at the Superior Community Center