



MEETING NOTES
Cultural Arts & Public Spaces Committee (CAPS)
FEBRUARY 27, 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 6:00 p.m.
2. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Roll Call
Present: Andrew Vaughan, Liza McKenzie, Suz Benson, Susan Chevalier, Brandon Opalka, Sherry Smith
Absent: Stephanie Coffin, Chris Nunes
Staff present: Jennifer “JG” Garner, Arts and Historical Programs Supervisor
Town Council Liaison present: Neal Shah
 - b. Approval of Agenda: Brandon moved to approve the agenda, Susan seconded.
Agenda unanimously approved.
 - c. Public Comment (limit 5 minutes/person)
There was none.
3. Staff Updates
 - a. Artwork lighting
Warm and cool lights being tested on Silencio. Coyote Hawk also in testing phase for lights but is trickier due to darker color and bushes.
 - b. Superior Historical Commission QR Code project
Opportunity for collaboration with Historical Commission to get same QR plaques with more info on sites/pieces. Suz suggests “dynamic” QR code.
 - c. Neighborhood Sponsorship application review policy
Now that the application process and forms has gotten more streamlined, CAPS will now handle more of the proposal intake review process, prior to sharing with the committee. JG will be copied on all resident communications and handle the funding and close-out aspect of approved proposals.
 - d. Council-Committee Dinner
Neither Andrew or Susan can make the only date available of June 23. JG will check back in with Mikaela to see if there are truly no other options.
4. General Updates & Debriefing
 - a. Updates
 - i. Marshall Fire Remembrance all-advisory group subcommittee: (Council presentation Feb 24)
Dalton stepped in for Andrew, who was out of town. It went well. Marshall Together, maybe Community Foundation may be able to help with funding. Next steps: soil study. The

subcommittee will begin work on the RFQ in their next meeting. Fundraising will occur after designs come in.

b. Debriefing

i. Superior Pairings

Wall to Wall: Building Community through Murals

Per Brandon, it went well and 16 people attended. Four attendees filled out feedback forms which were all positive, except for feedback about how the bleachers are not comfortable for long periods.

c. Upcoming Events

i. Clay workshop for Totem Beads March 15, 2025.

JG had not received content for Comms, therefore no promo has gone out. Andrew thought it might be too late to run as getting enrollment could be tough. Sherry stated she currently has enough beads for one totem and could possibly complete the project herself and donate her time. All agreed the March 15 date should be cancelled, and Sherry will update the committee on her progress.

ii. Superior Pairings

Art Meets Nature: Unique Interpretations of Floral Design & Botanical Illustration: April 22, 2025 at 6:30pm. JG and Susan have nearly completed all of the planning. Susan has secured free passes to Denver Botanic Gardens to entice attendees.

5. Work Plan Check-In

a. Superior Pairings #3

Susan will be meeting with Mimi Kruger from Boulder Philharmonic about a music and dance pairing for June.

b. Geocaching

Stephanie suggested six possible locations of Coyote-Hawk, the rings, Watcher & Seer, a decorated bus shelter, the bronze near North Pool, and somewhere on the ARtery. Andrew and the committee helped to refine the locations by adding South Pool and the Community Center. Stephanie will still need to work with JG on ordering goodies for inside the geocache boxes, such as buttons, stickers, patches, or wooden tokens.

c. Community art exhibition

Sherry stated that Brixmor said their parking lot could be used for a community art show, but artists would need to supply tents and carry liability insurance. The group inquired about the possibility of piggybacking onto the Civic Space grand opening by having an exhibit there. Separately, Sherry mentioned that she got her starter kit for the Rainworks project.

d. Music events

Suz detailed all her conceived events to include a drum circle, Battle of the Bands, Youth Music Drop-In, Oldies Sing and Strum, and Taylor Swift Karaoke Party.

e. Mural planning

Liza contacted artist Hilary Williams to see if she would be interested in her McCaslin tunnel design to be at the Rock Creek Parkway tunnel instead, post construction. Leslie Clark shared that construction agreement is pending approval, and could potentially start mid-March and slated to end mid-August. JG stated that Leslie is aware of a lighting need but not sure if there is funding allocated for it. Liza will check with Leslie.

f. Foundation/501c3 planning with Council liaison

Council member Shah stated that without a dedicated foundation, there is nowhere for funds to be channeled, but suggested that maybe Marshall Together or the Community Foundation could help. Otherwise a foundation dedicated to Arts & History would need to be formed with nonprofit status.

6. Discussion Items

a. Artwork plaques

- i. Andrew shared a preliminary list of possible public art pieces within the collection where identification plaques could go, and prioritized a list of ten: Triptych, Rings, Watcher & Seer, Vita Nova, McCaslin Mural, Heart Wings, Dancing Sticks, Silencio, Superior Mural at

Community Center, Sunflowers.

ii. Possible collaboration with Historical Commission

Since the Commission has a similar concept and goal in their Work Plan, Andrew shared that a collaboration would be good for consistency purposes.

b. 2025 calendar

Susan is working on filling it out.

c. ARTery future plans

Nothing new to update.

7. Adjourn: Andrew moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm. And Suz seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 27, 2025 at the Superior Community Center