IVINS CITY ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2026

NOTICE: This meeting was held electronically and in person. City Hall was the anchor location for the electronic meeting. You may watch the audio and video feed by going to www.ivinsutah.gov under "Arts Commission" on the right of the home page and selecting "Audio".

1) WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. All present included Arts Commission Chair Kathy Smith, Arts Commission Member Liz Fortney, Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus, Arts Commission Member Daphne Schroth, Arts Commission Member Michele Adams, and Arts Commission Member Josie Brzenk.

STAFF: Director of Finance Cade Visser

EXCUSED: None.

Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus was going to attend via the Zoom application but there was a technical issue with the Zoom application, which did not work throughout the meeting. Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus ended up attending the meeting in the Council Chambers.

A. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF QUORUM

Arts Commission Chair Kathy Smith acknowledged there was a quorum present. All Arts Commission Members were in attendance.

B. DISCLOSURES/CONFLICTS

There were no disclosures or conflicts of interest with items on this meeting's agenda.

Arts Commission Chair Kathy Smith requested to move agenda item 3)A up to this point in agenda.

MOTION: Arts Commission Member Liz Fortney moved to suspend the rules and move agenda item 3)A up to this point in the agenda

SECOND: Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously

The Motion may be accessed at time stamp 00:09:26.

Arts Commission Chair Kathy Smith	AYE
Arts Commission Member Liz Fortney	AYE
Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus	AYE
Arts Commission Member Daphne Schroth	AYE
Arts Commission Member Michele Adams	AYE
Arts Commission Member Josie Brzenk	AYE

3) DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

A. RAP GRANT APPLICATION REVISION/GRANT INFORMATION - KATHY SMITH

Finance Director Cade Visser reported that FY 2026 RAP tax revenue totaled approximately $268,000, with one-third allocated to arts. After three $10,000 annual allocations to Tuacahn, Kayenta Arts Foundation and the Ivins Arts Commission Arts Corridor project, $59,636 is available for additional arts grant applications. A separate reserve of approximately $76,138 is available for future Arts Commission projects subject to City Council authorization and is not included in the current grant distribution. The Arts Commission also has a $15,000 General Fund

administrative budget. Discussion addressed potential art-on-loan expenditures and permanent signage. The report may be accessed beginning at time stamp 00:10:00.

2) REPORTS

A. HERITAGE DAYS/ART EXHIBIT REVIEW - MICHELE ADAMS/KATHY SMITH

The Commission reviewed its Heritage Days parade participation and art exhibit. The event was successful, with strong volunteer support and positive community response. Future publicity will more clearly identify the Arts Commission as the exhibit sponsor. The timing of award presentations and potential future changes to Heritage Days dates were also addressed. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:18:08.

B. LIVING ARTFULLY BLOG - KATHY SMITH

The Commission reviewed blog activity and established a schedule for monthly contributions from November through March. The blog and website continue to receive increased attention. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:23:18.

D. FEATURED STUDENT ARTIST - MICHELE ADAMS

The featured student artist display was completed, and the student was scheduled for recognition at the October 15, 2026 City Council meeting. The Commission discussed coordinating attendance, photographs and information about the artist for the Mayor. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:24:38.

E. NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2026 AT 5:00PM

The next Arts Commission meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

C. ARTS DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORT - LIZ FORTNEY

Agenda item 2)C was unintentionally taken out of order. The Committee reviewed its August community meeting and discussed future participation, the distinct character of the Arts Districts and signage. Another community meeting is anticipated in January. The Commission discussed potential amendments to the City sign ordinance and applicable Kayenta HOA requirements. The report may be accessed at time stamp 00:27:22.

3) DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

A. RAP GRANT APPLICATION REVISION/GRANT INFORMATION - KATHY SMITH

The Commission reviewed the proposed RAP grant application schedule: applications opening October 15, 2026, deadline December 28, 2026, Commission review January 13, 2027, and recommendations to the City Council January 21, 2027. Proposed standardized budget and prior-year financial reporting forms will allow more consistent comparison of applications and include in-kind donations and volunteer hours. Revised materials will be emailed to Commissioners for review before the application opens. The Commission agreed not to pursue its own grant application for a future Fire Station mural without a defined project that could be completed within the required timeframe. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:30:18.

B. ARTS DISTRICT COMMITTEE

1. ARTS DISTRICT COMMITTEE UPDATE - LIZ FORTNEY

The Committee will continue work on Arts District signage, including the potential need for changes to the City sign ordinance and coordination with Kayenta's architectural and homeowners association requirements. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:40:44.

2. CITY HALL ART EXHIBIT - KAITLYNN KRAUS, JOSIE BRZENK, KATHY SMITH

The traveling exhibit featuring Navajo weaving opened October 1 at City Hall. The Commission discussed outreach to schools, community organizations, the Ivins Youth Council and the Southern Utah Veterans Home, as well as hosted visits explaining the exhibit's history. Social media promotion has generated substantial interest. A second traveling exhibit relating to the Constitution is planned for February. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:42:30.

3. IT'S A WRAP - PROJECTS UPDATES/APPROVALS - DAPHNE SCHROTH

Two utility box projects remain in progress. The Kwavasa box wrap is in production, with installation anticipated soon. The Shauna Fisher application requires updated materials and additional artwork before Commission review. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 00:49:23. For the Southern Utah Veterans Home project, the Commission reviewed original paintings, digitally altered submissions and possible alternatives using original artwork or public-domain patriotic posters. Members expressed concerns regarding AI-generated artwork and the quality of submissions. The Commission discussed expanding future Calls for Art beyond local artists through the CaFÉ application platform, including estimated fees and jury procedures. Final artwork remains subject to required approvals. The discussion may be accessed beginning at time stamp 00:52:10.

MOTION: Arts Commission Member Michele Adams moved to explore and move forward with CaFÉ on this project

SECOND: Arts Commission Member Liz Fortney

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously

Commission Members Liz Fortney and Daphne Schroth agreed to gather additional information on CaFÉ and its use by other organizations. The Commission discussed presenting the Veterans Home with examples of original eagle paintings and public-domain patriotic posters and obtaining further submissions through CaFÉ.

Arts Commission Chair Kathy Smith	AYE
Arts Commission Member Liz Fortney	AYE
Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus	AYE
Arts Commission Member Daphne Schroth	AYE
Arts Commission Member Michele Adams	AYE
Arts Commission Member Josie Brzenk	AYE

4. APPROVAL OF ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 12, 2026

5. APPROVAL OF ARTS COMMISSION WORK MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 25, 2026

Agenda items 3)4 Approval of Arts Commission Meeting Minutes for August 12, 2026 and 3)5 Approval of Arts Commission Work Meeting Minutes for August 25, 2026, were inadvertently not addressed at this meeting and will be included on a future Arts Commission agenda.

4) ADDITIONAL ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR/COMMISSIONERS

The Commission discussed participation in an upcoming City IQ event, with volunteers offering to staff a table featuring Arts District and utility box wrap information. The Commission was invited to participate in the City Christmas party on December 10, 2026. The discussion may be accessed at time stamp 01:16:00.

5) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Arts Commission Member Michele Adams moved to adjourn

SECOND: Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously

Arts Commission Chair Kathy Smith	AYE
Arts Commission Member Liz Fortney	AYE
Arts Commission Member Kaitlynn Kraus	AYE
Arts Commission Member Daphne Schroth	AYE
Arts Commission Member Michele Adams	AYE
Arts Commission Member Josie Brzenk	AYE

The Motion may be accessed at time stamp 01:20:14

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully,

Kari D. Jimenez, MPA, MMC
Ivins City Recorder