

# CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

APPROVED SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING of JUNE 29, 2022  
WEST CHICAGO CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION  
WEST CHICAGO CITY HALL  
WEST CHICAGO, IL

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1. Meeting called to order at 6:20 pm. Members present were Heidi Kuharich, Buddy Plumlee, Uwe Gsedl, Paulina Garcia, and Deborah Walsh. Also present was city liaison Dan Peck.
  2. Approval of minutes from April 7 meeting. Motioned to approve by Uwe Gsedl, seconded by Deborah Walsh.
  3. Public participation/presentations: None.
  4. New member, Paulina Garcia, was welcomed by the commission.
  5. The commission discussed Railroad Days and the activities the cultural arts commission would be involved in. Heidi proposed that some of us volunteer at the main tent to help kids make selections for their favorite categories to be included in the upcoming alibreje project at the public library. Dan Peck will provide stickers. Heidi will provide the train poster. Volunteers for the event include Buddy Plumlee, Heidi Kuharich, Paulina Garcia and Deborah Walsh.
  6. Portals to the Dream World project: The commission discussed different strategies to distribute the wreath portals to residents. Newsletter contributor Merle Burleigh will include our project in her upcoming local news bulletin. Heidi will deliver wreath portals to residents if necessary. Buddy Plumlee volunteered to distribute wreath portals at Taco Fest while conducting art-making activities with the public. Paulina Garcia also volunteered. Paulina will design a poster of the commission's alebrije sculpture at the library. Deb Walsh may volunteer to promote our project at Canitgny Park's Stories and Alibrejes event August 17. October 13 is the Night at the Library event. The objective is to have our library alebrije completed well in advance with the expectation it will be a centerpiece of the library's event. Buddy Plumlee motioned to approve the preceding proposals. Uwe offered a second motion.
  7. Alebrije Category Polling: Dan informed the commission that links to jot forms for residents to fill out will be available. He will filter out any non-residents of West Chicago. Polling closes July 13. Deb Walsh motioned to approve the proposal. Buddy Plumlee seconded the motion.
  8. Library Alebrije Construction Plan: The commission discussed meeting on Wednesday July 13 in the evening at the library to review the poll results and finalize the contents and imagery of the sculpture from there. Paulina will provide a final design of the project after this has been concluded. Buddy Plumlee will write a formal proposal with an itemized materials list and provide it to Dan Peck who will forward it to all necessary parties of city hall.
  9. July 7 meeting canceled.
  10. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Buddy Plumlee August 29, 2022