

**Item**

Appointment of Arts & Culture Board of Trustees

**Responsible Staff Contact**

Chaz Kokesh

**Recommendation**

To appoint 5 members to the Arts & Culture Board of Trustees, 1 member for a term ending June 30, 2024; 2 members for a term ending June 30, 2025; and 2 members for a term ending June 30, 2026.

**Executive Summary**

The City Council is responsible for appointing 5 voting positions on the newly formed Arts & Culture Board of Trustees. The initial appointments are staggered 3-year terms.

The City Administrator is responsible for appointing 2 ex-officio positions (non-voting) with one of those positions being a city staff member.

**Background**

We have received 7 applications for the newly formed Arts & Culture Board of Trustees. The City Council will need to determine which 5 of those applicants they wish to appoint to the board, and for which term lengths.

Staff has been in contact with the Wyoming Arts Council and Wyoming Arts Alliance regarding the formation of our new board. We will be coordinating a training to occur at one of the first meetings to ensure board members are familiar with their roles and what options are available to them for funding, programming, and organization.

In order to avoid conflicts of interest, staff is not making any direct recommendations for appointments. The applications received were all from qualified individuals and staff is supportive of the appointments made by Council.

Applications were received from: Amanda Smylie, Betsy Varland, Chaz Kokesh, Chevy Meyer, Michele Carter, Shea Burke, and Tonya Cox.

**Attachments:**

Resolution No. 2022-28

Applications for Arts & Culture Board of Trustees (7 total)

**Alignment to Strategic Doing and/or Other Plans**

**Outcome** : Unique & Promotable Identity (UPI); Fun Uplifting, Neat & Tidy Community (FUN)

**Strategy**: UPI-S2: Develop an Attractive Community & Downtown; UPI-S3: Development of Arts & Culture; UPI-S4: Promotion (celebrate history, heritage, small-town life); FUN-S4: Increase Opportunities for Entertainment and Activities

**KPI**: UPI-05; UPI-06; UPI-08; UPI-09; UPI-10; FUN-07

**2014 Master Plan** : Goal D5. Promote arts & cultural events and activities in Douglas



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**2015 Downtown Master Plan** : 2.5 Enhancements in the Public Rights of Way - Public Art & Murals

### Budget/Fiscal Impact

Fund/Department            n/a  
Project/Line Item(s)        n/a  
Budgeted Amount            \$ n/a  
Anticipated Amount \$ n/a

### Action Requested /Recommended Motion

To appoint 5 individuals to the Arts & Culture Board of Trustees, for staggered terms, with one appointment term ending June 30, 2024, two appointment terms ending June 30, 2025, and two appointment terms ending June 30, 2026.

\*\*Applicants: Amanda Smylie, Betsy Varland, Chaz Kokesh, Chevy Meyer, Michele Carter, Shea Burke, and Tonya Cox

### Reviewed/Approved

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement       | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Administrator    | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk |                                       |