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3 The following are minutes for the meeting of the **City of Las Cruces Quality of Life**
4 **Policy Review Committee** held at 3:00 p.m. on May 26, 2021 via Zoom
5 https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-8uLgyOEQYG_mvB5sc1Cng.

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7 **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

8 Councilor Tessa Abeyta-Stuve – District 2 – Chair
9 Councilor Gabriel Vasquez – District 3
10 Dr. Marlena Fraune, Ex-Officio Member

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12 **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

13 Mayor Ken Miyagishima
14 Diego Medina, Ex-Officio Member

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16 **OTHERS PRESENT:**

17 K. Lynn Gallagher, Quality of Life Director
18 Rebecca Slaughter, Quality of Life Deputy Director and PRC Staff Coordinator
19 Jill Aguirre, Quality of Life Senior Office Manager and PRC Recording Secretary
20 Garland Courts, Acting Museum System Administrator
21 Sarah Thomson, Museum Manager (Collections)
22 Shawn Evans, AOS Architects
23 Miriam Diddy, AOS Architects

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25 **I. CALL TO ORDER** - Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve called the meeting to order at 3:01
26 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established with Chairwoman Abeyta-
27 Stuve and Councilor Vasquez present.

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29 **II. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT** - Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve read the
30 conflict-of-interest statement. *“Does any member of the City Council or any*
31 *member of City staff have any known conflict of interest with any item on the*
32 *agenda?”* All members present indicated there were none.

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34 **III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA** - Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve requested a motion for
35 acceptance of the agenda. Councilor Vasquez made the motion. Chairwoman
36 Abeyta-Stuve seconded. Roll was called and agenda was accepted by the
37 committee members present.

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39 **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve requested a motion for
40 approval of the meeting minutes from the March 24, 2021 meeting. Councilor
41 Vasquez made the motion. Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve seconded. Roll was called
42 and minutes were approved by the committee members present.
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2 **V. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

3 a. **MUSEUM SYSTEM MASTER PLANNING PROCESS:** Garland Courts,
4 Acting Museum Administrator, began the presentation on the second
5 portion of the Museum System Master Planning process. Mr. Courts
6 introduced Sarah Thomson, Museum Collections Manager, Shawn Evans
7 and Miriam Diddy from AOS Architect. Mr. Courts shared a PowerPoint
8 presentation with the committee and gave a brief overview of the master
9 plan goals. Mr. Courts provided a description of the Short Range Plan and
10 the Museum Master Plan. He then turned the presentation over to Shawn
11 Evans of AOS Architects to go over the study for the committee. Mr. Evans
12 provided a brief recap from the last presentation. Mr. Evans detailed the
13 Museum Master Plan and the Facility Assessment of the Municipal Court
14 building for its potential use as a future museum that were a result of the
15 study. This presentation described the existing floor plans, current and
16 potential functionality for the existing buildings, and renovations to the
17 existing Municipal Court facility. Mr. Evans went over the implementation
18 schedule organized by priority level. Councilor Vasquez asked how this plan
19 would facilitate short term opportunities to display exhibits that would
20 display things that are currently happening in our society. Mr. Evans stated
21 this would be a two-prong solution that would require museum
22 administration to be nimble in their programming and scheduling and the
23 building would need to be nimble as well. In this plan, museum spaces have
24 been rearranged to provide that variety for exhibits to contract if they need
25 to. Mr. Courts responded to the staffing part of this solution. He stated that
26 when the museums do exhibit planning, in addition to staff input, they listen
27 to the community, they look at what other museums are doing, and they
28 look at what is going on in the world. Mr. Courts added that after that review,
29 staff look at how the exhibit can fit into the museums. Lynn Gallagher added
30 that this plan is insightful for how the department will shape the strategic
31 plan which will allow the museums to be nimbler. Rebecca Slaughter stated
32 that the short range plan described relationships in the community that can
33 be built on resulting in the ability to have exhibits in different locations
34 outside of the museums. Irene Oliver Lewis spoke about the importance of
35 relationship between the Arts and Cultural District and the Museum System.
36 Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve asked if this plan is able to address the spacing
37 and environmental obstacles that the museums currently experience. Mr.
38 Courts responded that the short range plans allows the museums to make
39 smaller accommodations now to address issues until the bigger issues can
40 be addressed in the future. Ms. Slaughter spoke about the plan's
41 designation of space and how that will aid in the issues moving forward.

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43 **VI. ACTION ITEMS**

44 a. **MUSEUM SYSTEM SHORT RANGE PLAN:** Councilor Vasquez made the
45 motion to approve the Museum System Short Range Plan. Chairwoman

1 Abeyta-Stuve seconded the motion. Roll was called and the Museum Short
2 Range Plan was approved by all members present.

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4 b. **MUSEUM SYSTEM MASTER PLAN STUDY:** Councilor Vasquez made the
5 motion to approve the Museum System Master Plan Study. Chairwoman
6 Abeyta-Stuve seconded the motion. Roll was called and the Museum
7 Master Plan Study was approved by all members present.

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10 **VII. FUTURE DISCUSSION ITEMS AND TASK LISTING:** Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve
11 read the future discussion and task list item. Ms. Slaughter provided an update on
12 the status of the Public Art Funding Ordinance. Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve advised
13 that the committee will transition to in-person meetings in the near future and that
14 additional communication will go out to determine the best time and location for
15 these meetings.

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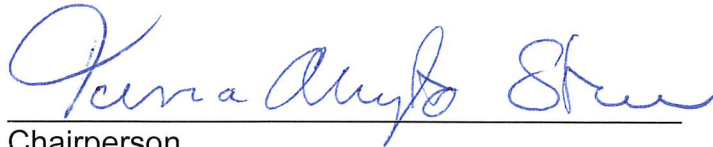
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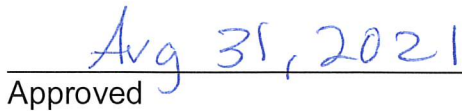
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23 Indigenous Culture and Representation

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25 **VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE – June 23, 2021**

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27 **IX. ADJOURNMENT -** Chairwoman Abeyta-Stuve requested a motion to adjourn the
28 meeting. Councilor Vasquez made the motion to adjourn. Chairwoman Abeyta-
29 Stuve seconded. Roll was called and adjournment of the meeting was approved
30 by all members present. Meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

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