



## Minutes

Adams County Arts & Culture Commission  
Tuesday, August 26

Waymire Dome in Riverdale Regional Park  
9755 Henderson Road, Brighton, CO 80602

Dinner, 5:00 P.M. / Meeting, 5:30 P.M.

- I. Roll Call & Intros
  - a. Commission members present: Toni Marie Gallegos, Evan Siegel, and Michele Nizam.
  - b. Commission members absent: Robert Cope Thompson, Mallory Gillette, Jimenz, Luz Macias, Dylan Yellowlees; excused.
- II. Motion to Approve Agenda
  - a. Motion made by Toni Marie Gallegos, moved by Evan Siegel, seconded by Michele Nizam.
- III. Motion to Approve March 26, 2025, Meeting Minutes
  - a. Motion made by Toni Maria Gallegos, moved by Evan Siegel, seconded by Michele Nizam.
- IV. Motion to Approve May 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes
  - a. Motion made by Toni Marie Gallegos, moved by Evan Siegel, seconded by Michele Nizam.
- V. Public Comment Period (3 minutes per resident)
  - a. none
- VI. Project Updates
  - a. Taza Gallery
    - i. On view: *What We Hold Dear* by artist Jenna Annunziato, with a site-specific installation inspired by trinkets and treasures of Adams County.
    - ii. Up Next: Woodcarvings & printmaking by Leilani Nobuko Derr
  - b. Human Services Center Rotating Sculpture Program
    - i. On view: *Look at us Now* by artist Grace Gutierrez
    - ii. Up next: Eileen Roscina, installation inspired by the cut flower industry
  - c. Dust to Apples
    - i. Community engagement at Bennet Days and Strasburg Days
    - ii. Coming to Taza Gallery in December 2025
  - d. Coroner & Probation
    - i. Completed in April, celebration was attended by community members, a local Girl Scout troop, and project stakeholders.
  - e. Parks Maintenance Facility
    - i. Artist James Patterson installing in September 2025
    - ii. Entryway mural by artist Leilani Nobuko Derr in August 2025 and Spring 2026
  - f. Riverdale Animal Shelter Water Tank Mural

- i. Artist Bimmer Torres installing now
  - g. 58<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gateway Mural
    - i. Artists, Guerilla Garden, Jolt & Coco
    - ii. Mural Design driven by engagement with Commerce City Boys & Girls Club youth and the artform of graffiti.
  - h. Adams County Pride
    - i. June 14<sup>th</sup> at Riverdale Regional Park
    - ii. Artists: Alexander Gomez, Nathan Hall & Drew Austin, Diana Merkel, Chelsea Gilmore, and K Works Studio with EV Studio
  - i. Poet Laureate Residency
    - i. Next Adams County Poet Laureate: Aerik Francis
    - ii. Welcome event at the Adams County Government Center on 09/30.
  - j. Poet Laureate Anthology
    - i. An anthology featuring Poet Laureate Kerrie Joy, invited poets, and community members
- VII. Upcoming Projects
  - a. Bongo Love Tree Carving
    - i. Location: Twin Lakes Park September 2025
    - ii. Concept: Phoenix
  - b. Pecos Street Median Artwork – Artist Selection
    - i. Q1 – Q3 2026 Call for entry and artist selection
    - ii. Installation in 2028
  - c. Michael Stutz Project
    - i. Potential to develop a project with this artist
- VIII. 2025 Events
  - a. September 24: Festival Latino, Riverdale Regional Park, 12 - 7 pm
  - b. September 28: Welby Days, Rotella Park, 9 am – 2 pm
  - c. September 27: Riverdale Regatta, Riverdale Regional Park
  - d. September 30, Poet Laureate Welcome Event, Adams County Government Center, 8 am
- IX. 2025 Meeting Dates
  - a. Q4: Tuesday, October 29 – Parks, Open Space & Cultural Arts Admin Building
- X. Motion to Adjourn
  - a. Motion made by Toni Marie Gallegos, moved by Evan Siegel, seconded by Michele Nizam.