

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION CREATING THE FAYETTEVILLE ARTS
COMMISSION AND ESTABLISHING THE BYLAWS, RULES
AND PROCEDURES TO GOVERN SUCH COMMISSION.**

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville recognizes that a vibrant arts community enhances the quality of life for residents; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville owns significant lands appropriate for the installation of public art;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fayetteville City Council hereby establishes the Fayetteville Arts Commission:

to help define the community's identity and sense of place,
to promote social interaction,
to bring the arts into everyday life and
to memorialize the past while expressing shared values for the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the program shall be guided by the following policies and procedures:

FAYETTEVILLE ARTS COMMISSION

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I. Purpose. The purpose of the Commission shall be to promote and encourage the appreciation and enhancement of the arts and culture resources of Fayetteville. The continued vitality of the arts in the City of Fayetteville is a vital part of the future of the City as well as of its citizens. The arts are an important part of the cultural and economic life of the entire community of Fayetteville and enrich the participants in the arts as well as those who observe them. Several organizations which exist in Fayetteville are active in the arts and provide leadership to the community on arts related matters. The creation of the Fayetteville Arts Commission will assist those organizations and individuals.

II. Created. The Fayetteville Arts Commission is created and shall have the powers and duties provided in this resolution.

III. Members; Terms. The Fayetteville Arts Commission shall consist of seven members be comprised of the following representatives: one member of the Fayetteville Parks and Recreation Board; one member of the Walton Arts Center; one member of the City Council; and four at large community members, two of which must be working artists. All members of the commission shall reside inside the City limits. The appointees shall have three-year terms. The appointees shall be interviewed by the City Council Nominating Committee and approved by the City Council as follows: two for one year, two for two years and three for three years, thereafter all terms will be for three years.

IV. Officers. At its first meeting the Fayetteville Arts Commission shall elect a chair and a vice-chair who shall hold office for one year, except that the first chair and vice-chair shall serve until the end of the calendar year. At the first meeting of each calendar year, the chair or vice-chair from the previous year shall preside over elections for chair and vice-chair. Neither the chair nor vice-chair shall serve as an officer for more than two consecutive terms.

V. Meetings; Quorum; Voting. The Fayetteville Arts Commission shall hold regularly scheduled meetings as set by the commission. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum for meetings. Provided a quorum is present, any item must be approved by a simple majority of the voting members present at a meeting to pass.

VI. Rules and Regulations. The Fayetteville Arts Commission shall establish such rules and regulations for its government and procedures consistent with the laws of the state and the ordinances of the city.

VII. Powers and Duties. The Fayetteville Arts Commission shall be specifically responsible for, but not limited to, the following:

A. The Commission shall ensure the arts continue to be of value as an integral part of Fayetteville.

B. The Commission shall promote the arts in Fayetteville to enrich the lives of its citizens through education and demonstration.

C. The Commission may assist the City Council, the Fayetteville Parks and Recreation Commission, historic commission and the planning commission in using public art to enhance existing development in public parks and other public lands and in public structures.

D. The Commission shall advise the planning commission, the Fayetteville Parks and Recreation Commission, other city commissions and committees and City departments regarding artistic components of all municipal government projects under consideration by the City. The Commission may also serve as a resource for artistic components of land use developments.

E. The Commission shall develop and recommend to the City Council policies and programs that would enhance and encourage the planning, placement and maintenance of public displays of art in locations open to the public within the community.

F. The Commission shall encourage connections with other local, regional and national organizations working for the benefit of art and preservation of artistic values, and other similar activities.

G. The Commission shall recognize and encourage groups and organizations that enrich life by bringing cultural and artistic values and artifacts to the City.

H. The Commission shall pursue gifts and grants for support of arts programs and activities and the procurement of public art.

VII. Compensation. Voting members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for services rendered.

VIII. Policies.

A. The Fayetteville Arts Commission shall operate in the general public interest serving the community as a whole. It shall serve no special interests.

B. The Fayetteville Arts Commission shall not endorse any commercial product or enterprise.