



**Tucson-Pima County Historical Commission**

**Event Subcommittee**

**Tuesday, July 29, 2025**

Virtual Meeting via Teams

**Legal Action Report**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m., and a quorum was present.

**Members Present:**

Teresita Majewski, Chair

Kathe Kubish

J. J. Lamb

**Members Absent:**

None

**Guests / audience present:**

Kate Avalos, Presidio San Agustin del Tucson Museum

Sarah Denman, Tucson City Manager's Office

Justin Germain, Tucson Museum of Art

Christopher Gordon, Tucson Museum of Art

Amy Hartmann-Gordon, Presidio San Agustin del Tucson Museum

Ken Karrels, Southern Arizona Transportation Museum

Marianna Pegno, Tucson Museum of Art

Ricki Riojas, Los Descendientes de Tucson & TPCHC Non-voting Advisory Member

**2. Approval of TPCHC Event Subcommittee LAR/Minutes from Meeting of 7/15/25  
(Discussion/Action)**

It was moved by Commissioner Lamb, duly seconded by Commissioner Kubish, and carried by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 to approve the Legal Action Report/Minutes from the Meeting of 7/15/25 as submitted.

**3. Update on Save the Dates to VIPs (Amy Hartmann-Gordon) (Discussion/Action)**

Amy Hartmann-Gordon reported that there is no update since the last meeting. No action was taken.

#### **4. Programming/Entertainers (Marianna Pegno/Amy Hartmann-Gordon) (Discussion/Action)**

Marianna Pegno reported that she, Amy Hartmann-Gordon, Justin Germain, and Kate Avalos met on 7/28 to continue to finalize the program, and then she shared the screen with the updated file. Chair Majewski asked her to include a slot for welcome remarks on the schedule and asked about the status of the city and county proclamations. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

#### **5. Street Layout for Event and Event Logistics (Justin Germain) (Discussion/Action)**

Justin Germain provided an update on the street layout for the event, noting that the permits are all set. Wagon locations still need to be finalized. Amy Hartmann-Gordon noted that the Dandelion Café will be open. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

#### **6. Community Partners (Kate Avalos) (Discussion/Action)**

Kate Avalos reported on the status of community partners (number is currently 39) and reminded the group that room for wagons will be needed. Commissioner Lamb reported that the Vail Preservation Society will have a pop-up tent. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

#### **7. Food Vendors Update (Amy Hartmann-Gordon) (Discussion/Action)**

Amy Hartmann-Gordon reported on the food vendors. Chair Majewski asked about the status of the free food/food discount for city, county, and Tribal employees. Discussion was held. The frybread area needs to be placed but will likely be in the Presidio. No action was taken.

#### **8. Review Last-Minute Action Items**

- Need dimensions of wagons (still missing for Mormon Battalion) (Commissioner Lamb will obtain)
- Proclamations (Rikki Riojas and Sarah Denman will deal with city proclamation and Commissioner Lamb will deal with county one; this has to be dealt with well prior to Board of Supervisors meeting on 8/6 and Mayor and Council meeting of 8/18)
- Free/discounted food for city, county, and Tribal employees (Amy Hartmann-Gordon will sort this out)
- Decide on event program (need to look at last year's program)

#### **9. Update on Time-Capsule Opening and New Time Capsule (Marianna Pegno) (Discussion/Action)**

Marianna Pegno reported that the Bicentennial Time Capsule opening is scheduled for Wednesday, August 20 at 4:30 p.m. (remarks at 5:00 p.m.). She is thinking that the new time capsule will be placed later in the year or early in 2026. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

#### **10. Website Update/Additional Summer Events (Rikki Riojas, Others) (Discussion/Action)**

Report was given by Rikki Riojas and noted a few sections that were still being developed, such as the "Vendor Spotlight" and the 250+ Community Partners page. She added a Los Descendientes photo to the latter. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

#### **11. Publicity and Marketing (Discussion/Action)**

[This item was taken out of order prior to item 8.] Sarah Denman reported that the mayor's office is putting together a media booklet. Amy Hartmann-Gordon mentioned that there will be full-page media ads (*Caliente, Tucson Weekly*). Marianna Pegno reported that a eblast will go out from the Tucson Museum of Art. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

#### **12. Call to the audience (Information Only)**

No comments were received by the posted deadline.

#### **13. Schedule upcoming meeting(s)**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday August 6, at 9 a.m. [ultimately, this was rescheduled for Monday, August 11, at 10:00 a.m.]

#### **14. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m.