

# **City of Ann Arbor**

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# Meeting Minutes Ann Arbor Public Art Commission

Tuesday, August 10, 2010

4:30 PM

220 E. Huron St., 7th Floor Conference Room

**CALL TO ORDER** 

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Approved

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Approved

**PUBLIC COMMENT** 

No Public Comments

**Approved** 

#### REPORT FROM CHAIR

- •Katherine Talcott is no longer working as the Administrator. She has moved into a project manager role for AAPAC under Sue McCormick. We have appreciated Katherine's time with the Commission and look forward to continuing in a new relationship with her.
- •Jean Borger is no longer working as the Administrative Coordinator. We have appreciated her thoroughness and commitment to the Commission and will miss her friendly enthusiasm.
- •A new position description for the AAPAC Administrator is being drafted by Sue McCormick. In the meantime, City staff will handle AAPAC's administrative needs. AAPAC documents will be available to the public via Legistar. AAPAC resolutions, agendas, meeting minutes and attachments will be generated using this automated system. We will continue to use the google site for internal communications.
- •Margaret will be away in September and October. Temporary co-chairs are Elaine Sims (September) and Cheryl Zuellig (October).

**Approved** 

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# 1. Project Committee Report

#### Ken Clein Update on Municipal Center

Ken Clein of QEA was present to provide AAPAC with an update on the Municipal Center and answers questions regarding the (2) interior HD projects, the CPA Lobby and the Larcom Atrium.

- •Selection of the Fabricator. SOQ 's have been sent and staff received (3) responses. (1) was incomplete and was rejected. The remaining (2) will move onto the next phase of the process. Proposals were due tomorrow and each has indicated the need to extend the due date to prepare their materials. Due date has been extended to August 26, 2010. Construction is planned for next spring.
- •Update on Revised Lighting on Plaza. Conflicts with the piece. QEA currently looking at this now and with no cap on the price they want to get an honest read. All issues have not been resolved and the hope is that it falls within the budget.
- •PD/Court Lobby. Finishes are going in. The City has defined a move-in schedule for all areas and has expressed their desire to keep this project on time. The City does not want a delay in the schedule as it will cause a domino effect for all. Clark working diligently to get everything done as quickly as possible. Finishes on the 1st floor through upper floors being installed now. The Blue glass finishes are to be installed with the next 30 days.

Blue Glass finishes in the lobby. Installation set for September. Commission members very concerned about the installation, effects of the etching and the total cost. The need to install the glass, break it and then re-install months later is an added expense that seems unnecessary. The Commission would like a suggestion for a temporary solution instead of proceeding with the breaking of the glass. Ken Clein will mention to the Project Manager. Discussion on other alternatives were; 1) Install a hanging piece in front of the glass panels 2) Remove the etching and have glass pieces only 3) Cut our losses and move onto a new design 4) Glass piece without the lighting and effect of the balls may be too dark 5) Find another location in the lobby 6) HD may not accept any changes to his design. Finally, is the commission still interested in installing this piece?

MOTION: To not approve the Herbert Dreiseitl lobby art piece for the Municipal Center PD/Courts lobby, moved by Cheryl and seconded by Cathy.

Approved

### **Fuller Road Station Project**

•Fuller Road Station Project. AAPAC urges that the Task Force be called together so that the public art process can meet the construction timeline. Still waiting to hear back from City staff members, Dave Dykman and Connie Pulcipher. Cathy will contact Katherine Talcott regarding project status update.

Approved

#### **DDA/AAPAC Collaboration**

•DDA /AAPAC Collaboration. Connie and Elaine met briefly and concluded that AAPAC needs administrative support in place before moving forward. Chair expressed the importance of continuing to move forward with this project as the commission transitions. Team to organize another meeting. Recommendation needed from proposed Hanover Park Task Force on where to place the book sculpture.

**Approved** 

# **Municipal Center**

•Municipal Center. Committee would like the taskforce to look at fewer sites or just one interior or exterior piece for Municipal Center. It will be important to balance the funds available for other future projects. Perhaps we are installing too many art pieces in the Municipal Center. We need to carefully look at the budget and provide a targeted amount for the art work. Economy has changed since our initial conception

of HD projects. Concern over the amount spent thus far on the HD project. Of the 1 mill designated, \$700K has been targeted thus far on the exterior Dreiseitl pieces, leaving approximately\$300K (minus administrative, maintenance, and design costs) to spend on art for the reminder of the Municipal Center. The project committee would like to suggest that other are pieces be considered for the in the lobby, hallway or perhaps outside. Art pieces in other areas of the building could be just as dramatic, more visible and less expensive.

MOTION: To direct the AAPAC Taskforce to consider (2) additional new pieces of art, the reinstallation of the Kamrowski pieces, if possible, for the Municipal Center not to exceed \$250K including facility installation, administrative and maintenance costs, moved by Cathy and seconded by Cheryl.

Approved

# 2. Planning Committee Report

#### **AAPAC Vacancies**

•AAPAC has a desire to accept new commission members from varying backgrounds to bring new and differing perspectives. AAPAC will announce vacancies on the A3Arts website, Facebook and on the AAPAC website.

Approved as presented

## Sun Dragon Repair

•Sun Dragon Repair. Continued discussion on the maintenance and repair of the Sun Dragon piece at Fuller Pool. New art money cannot be used to repair an art piece that existed prior to the new funding. AAPAC believes that the City of Ann Arbor should pay to have this piece repaired. Communication has been forwarded to Sue McCormick, commission waiting a response. Margaret expressed a concern that as the artist for this piece, she should not take on the role of working with the City to repair this piece. This puts the artist in a precarious position. The Commission should have another member communicate with the City regarding maintenance of art pieces. Cathy will send a note to Sue McCormick regarding the repair and maintenance of the Sun Dragon piece. This piece is currently housed at Plastic-Tech, Inc. pending direction from AAPAC.

Approved as presented

# 3. Public Relations Committee

### **Update on Art Fair Townie Party**

•Update on Art Fair Townie Party. It did not generate as much interest as anticipated. For the future, the commission will develop some create ideas to draw more interest to the AAPAC display. We want to educate and serve the public when it comes to art.

Approved as presented

#### **Update to AAPAC Website**

•Update to AAPAC website. Cathy is currently working on some ideas to redesign the AAPAC website.

Approved as presented

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Election of Vice Chair or Chair, members still need to respond. No commitments to date.

**Approved** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The August Report needs to be done. Please review it as it is part of our guidelines under the Ordinance. Margaret has done the draft version but cannot complete before leaving. Commission would like Katherine Talcott to complete this as it should fall under her new duties as the project manager.

**Approved** 

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn

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