



City of Ann Arbor
Meeting Minutes
Ann Arbor Public Art Commission

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Wednesday, November 7, 2018

7:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St,
Basement, conference room

CALL TO ORDER

7pm

ROLL CALL

Present: J Kotarski, A Buck, C Brown, J Copi, C Crawley, D Esau, D Mexicotte, M Thiefels, and D Zinn

Absent: CM Chip Smith

Approved as presented

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Add - Nominating Committee Report and Adoption of 2019 Meeting Dates to the agenda

Welcome New Commissioners - Mary Thiefels - Public artist born and raised in Ann Arbor and would like to be an artist voice on the commission as well as aesthetic voice to the commission. Currently at the Neutral Zone as the Art Director and owner of TreeTown Murals.

Jonah Copi - Looking for ways to get involved in City Government. Originally from San Francisco background in arts and currently working in real estate and property management and looking for way to get back into the arts.

Introduction of Councilmember Ali Ramlawi - CM Ramlawi has expressed an interest in becoming the council liaison. Excited to become part of the commission and very supportive of the arts within the City. Misconceptions of art within in the city but we cannot let this stop us from getting behind the arts and make it a priority to continue to celebrate the arts in Ann Arbor.

Approved with changes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Welcome Skyline High School students - Here to gain a better understanding and learn more about art within the City

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mike Gould postponed the Arbor Lase presentation due to a full schedule with other projects and sends a thank you to the commission for keeping Arbor Lase in mind.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee - Committee circulated a survey to all commissioners gauging needs and most important aspect of leadership within the commission. Important were knowing and understanding processes and procedures. Traits and skills necessary were teambuilding and reaching a wider community.

Newly Elected Officers - Allison Buck, Chair and Deb Mexicotte, Vice Chair

Adoption of 2019 Meeting Dates - Staff will review and make adjustments to the schedule; including scheduling a date for the annual retreat.

Approved as presented

OLD BUSINESS**REPORT FROM STAFF**

Stadium Bridges - Additional damage to another panel on the Arbor Winds piece. Staff has located a vendor in Germany to reproduce these panels - due to size and uniqueness, has been difficult to find a local manufacturer in the states. Panels to be shipped to the City in mid December. This asset has been damaged twice and the commission request that staff reachout to the University of Michigan re their willingness to partner with the city to help maintain public art within the city, perhaps installation/use of cameras. Continued replacement of these glass panels at this site in particular will be costly, the city needs to look at replacement alternatives needed in the future.

Jewett Memorial - The memorial will be relocated to its permanent location on the eastside of the Farmers Market as part of the DDA Fifth Ave project.

Public Art Inventory - Request to HR to hire part-time staff to support the efforts in identifying all the public art assets within the city. Other groups within the city are currently working on projects like this; commission should partner with them in the future.

Presented

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES

CIP Work Group - Update on recommendations re the art selection process. Originally produced last year and approved by AAPAC and reviewed again in October. Attached are additional recommendations for the artwork selection process

Promotions/Marketing Group - Continue to work on art inventory and redesign and update of the public art webpage

Youth Involvement Group - Propose dual approach to the goal of involving youth in public art

Presented

ADJOURNMENT

8:15pm