



City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes Ann Arbor Public Art Commission

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

4:30 PM Marcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Basement, Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:33pm

ROLL CALL

*Present: John Kotarski, Jim Simpson, Connie Rizzolo-Brown, Marsha Chamberlin, Lauren Thompson, Patti Smith
Absent: Bob Miller*

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Add a section for Communications from Commissioners. Moved by Marsha Chamberlin. Seconded by Patti Smith.

(Approved)

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Mayer of Munich - Erica Behrens of Mayer of Munich are art consultants who specializing in working with painters, conceptual artists and pair with fabricators on stain glass, mosaic, ceramic, etc. pieces. Artist received projects or apply for projects and artist selected by committees. Ideal is if design early and set parameters and site her company can work with them throughout the entire process. They look to develop and work with new artist in close collaboration to maintain the highest artistic and quality standards.

Mayor Gallery Space in Council Chambers - The new gallery space is located on the east wall and is approximately 24 feet in length. City staff currently working together along with Omari Rush of the Ann Arbor Art Center to finalize and discuss the necessary lighting and rail placement for pieces. Once the recommendations for lighting and the hanging rail are established staff will move forward with pricing information, ordering the equipment, finding the electrician and installing the equipment.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Continue efforts to recruit new Commission Members -

- o Need to fill these (2) vacancies. Background should include; Interest in art, education, civic interest, etc. Administrator's office will forward applications to commissioners for sharing with possible candidates.*
- o Commissioner Patti Smith will put a call out on social media*

Discussion on Art Commission Goals/Rules -

Commission will work together to keep an open mind during each meeting

- o Commission plans to work more efficiently to shorten meeting times*
- o Work sessions to be held after regular business meeting*
- o Communication between members should take place prior to business meeting; will allow for more detail/questions prior to business meeting*
- o Robert Rules of Order*
- o Work as a team to educate Council and public*
- o Possibility that meetings could be televised at some point. Allows Council and members of the community to stay in the know on what the commission is working on*

NEW BUSINESS

Mural Intake Form -

- o Parking lot item for a future meeting*

(Tabled)

Commissioner Survey Results - Summary of members survey and their important items necessary to continue to move the Public Art Commission in the right direction. Survey results indicate Commissioners are on the same page with regards to the committee. Begin working on a plan that will be sustainable and that all can agree on; should be in motion prior to new members coming onboard.

- o Encourage City to hire a professional staff in the long-term*
- o Consider a more inclusive definition of art*
- o Leverage the CIP process*
- o More public outreach*
- o Member to spend 10 hours a month on work*

(Approved)

CIP 2016 Proposed Projects

- o UT-SN-16-12 Sanitary Manhole Lid and Casting Sealing Program - A competition for citizen designed manhole covers with budget range of \$3K-\$9K*
- o UT-SN-10-05 Manhole Rehabilitation Project - A competition for citizen designed manhole covers with budget range of \$3K-\$9K*
- o TR-AT-13-01 Annual Sidewalk Repair Program - (Removed)*
- o TR-AT-14-07 Ann Arbor Station Construction - Enhance or add to the architecture detail and sight elements that are fundamental to the initial planning of the station and*

grounds with budget range of \$450K-\$900K

o TR-SC-14-07 Fifth Ave (Kingsley to Catherine) - Unique brick design, wayfinding, placemaking to be consistent with the historic guidelines and elements that make Kerrytown a unique district with coordination from the Historic District Commission with budget range of \$25K-\$75K

o TR-PF-16-01 4th & William Parking Structure 1st Floor Buildout - DDA no longer pursuing this project (Removed)

o TR-SC-06-05 Detroit St. Brick Road Pavement Reconstruction - Unique brick design, wayfinding, placemaking to be consistent with the historic guidelines and elements that make Kerrytown a unique district with coordination from the Historic District Commission with budget range of \$30K-\$90K

Motion: To approve 2016 CIP Proposed Projects as listed; with amended titles. Moved by M. Chamberlin. Seconded by J. Simpson.

(Approved)

CIP Process 2016 and Beyond - Sets Commission next steps for future CIP projects

(Approved)

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Attachments: CIP Process.pdf, CIP Projects.pdf

OLD BUSINESS

- o Art in the Sky*
- o Stadium Boulevard - Jim Simpson / John Kotarski to be AAPAC representatives.*
- o ArborWinds Update*
- o Jewett Memorial*

(Tabled)

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Students from Huron High School in attendance and shared their appreciation for a well run meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm