

City of Ann Arbor

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Formal Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

7:00 PM

**Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council
Chambers**

Ann Arbor Public Art Commission

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - John Kotarski, David Esau, Allison Buck, Colleen Crawley, Venita Harrison, Debra Mexicotte, Jonah Copi, and Ali Ramlawi

Absent: 2 - Mary Thiefels, and Craig Hupy

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chelsea Painters unable to attend this evening.

A motion was made by Esau, seconded by Crawley, that the Agenda be approved with changes. On a voice vote, Chair Buck declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - August 2019

Clarification on "approved as presented". If no motion is made this is not necessary. Adjust minutes to reflect this change.

Add mover and seconder to future agenda packets.

A motion was made by Copi, seconded by Vice Chair Mexicotte, that the August 2019 Minutes be Approved with changes.

PRESENTATION

A "Behind the Scenes! - Making of the Big Wall Mural" - A special thanks to Tom Wille and his crew from Constant Motion for capturing our artistic process and for helping us share the impact of this story. What an honor it has been to create this work. - Mary Thiefels and Danijel Matanic. Thank you Mary and Danijel, Destination Ann Arbor and our local business owners. AAPAC is proud of the work that Mary and her husband, Danijel bring to the City of Ann Arbor.

REPORT FROM CHAIR

Remembering 9/11. Take time today to remember this tragedy and its impact. Wonderful art has been created in remembrance of this tragedy.

Financial Review of Public Art - Commission seeks a financial review of city public art pieces to determine appraised value.

NEW BUSINESS

Planning for the December retreat to review current AAPAC structure, working groups and set goals for the upcoming year. Staff will review city calendar for a December 4th or December 11th (preferred) meeting date at 6pm.

OLD BUSINESS

No items to share

REPORT FROM STAFF

Public Art Website Updates - Bylaws, annual report and public art ordinance have been added to website.

Review Public Art Plaque Design - (see attached) - This design is well done. We have accomplished our goal of a consistent brand for all public art pieces. Add acknowledgement of piece - gifted, collaboration, recognition, or percent for art program. Minor changes re layout, text size, etc. will be shared with the Communications and Marketing work group for final approval and sharing at our November 6th meeting.

Design Review Board Update - City Attorney making changes to ordinance for final sharing with City Council for approval.

*Commission Vacancies - Communications Office post weekly to promote vacancies via Nextdoor, Facebook and Twitter. *Recruitment Committee received a few application that they plan to review.*

Public Art Inventory - Working with IT to define parameters within Cityworks program

REPORT FROM WORK GROUPS

Clarify and add Recruitment Work group and share difference between each;

Nominating Work Group - Evaluate, select, move forward new AAPAC leadership

Recruitment Work Group - Review potential applicants for Mayor approval

City Hall Gallery Work Group - Conversations with Mayor; members will followup for more information.

CIP Work Group - No new updates. Early December review. City staff working on new CIP software program.

Communications and Marketing Work Group - Inventory has been done and currently working to identify existing artwork. Thanks to staff, we are meeting our goals.

Development Work Group - Influence the developers re public art in Ann Arbor. Appointment of AAPAC Commissioner to Design Review Board will help in this effort.

Donations and Art Placement Work Group - No donations

Fundraising Work Group - Michigan Council for the Arts has not made an announcement re the grant. Chair Buck will share an update when information is available.

Youth Outreach Work Group - As students return to school, Fall is best time of year to get back together to review and begin to work with our community partners. Group will meet and share more at the retreat. CM Ramlawi suggests reaching out to the Police Advisory Commission as they may be in need of assistance with logo design, collaborative effort. CM Ramlaw will share contact information with Vice Chair Mexicotte.

Nominating Work Group - No reports

Recruitment Work Group - Currently reviewing applications to share Mayor Taylor for his final approval.

Open Discussion - Commissioner Copi shares how lucky we are to have

Mary Thiefels. Moved by her artistic talents and this recent installation incorporates art in public spaces beautifully; it is a living, breathing example and provides a fresh, new vision on art.

ADJOURN

7:45pm

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