

Duluth Public Arts Commission

AGENDA for Monday, June 17th, 2019, 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

LOCATION: City Hall Mayor's Reception Room

Present: Mary Tennis, Sandy Johnson, Ashley Kolka-Lee, Jodi Broadwell, Gary Anderson, Jason Hale, Kelli Latuska

4:30 Call to order, additions to the agenda Mary

4:40 Review, approval of meeting minutes Mary

April: Sandy motion, Mary second, all in favor

4:42 **OPERATIONS AND GOVERNANCE**

- Financial report Jason

Money will be spent on maintenance.

PUBLIC ART PROJECTS AND RELATIONSHIPS

- City utility box wraps Jenn Moses, City Planner

Some money from Imagine Canal Park went toward utility box wraps.

City-owned utility boxes are available for wraps. Each artist got a \$500 stipend and the City paid for the wrap. Allocated \$1,000 but all were around \$700 or less. Removal of paint is too hard, so vinyl wraps is the way to go.

Things that would change next time: down the road, the City could measure the cabinets and lay it out better. 3M/anti-graffiti wraps. They last 5-7 years, maybe more. Overall it went well. Getting great feedback and a quick way to implement something cool. It had to be installed when the temperature is above 30 degrees. Kristi Stokes is considering this idea for Downtown Duluth.

We could ask to partner with Minnesota Power to work together on their utility boxes. Jenn also said City Planning would be willing to partner with a subcommittee for utility wraps.

From Mary: For bumpouts, we are looking at commissioning them with a stipend. Following the trail of construction - maybe a 3 tier option - incorporating performance into it. Rotating pieces by regional artists. We are thinking of a 3-5 year rotation to keep the public curious and activated. Last year was 6 ave w to 3 ave w, so approximately 6 bumpouts are available.

- DAI Exhibit Amy Varsek

The 8 banners will be a series of panels. Amy handed out paper samples of what the banners will look like once the images are combined from top to bottom. There will be two quilts that will be put up in the City Hall Mayor's Reception Room. The quilts will hang vertically. July-September will be the Kathy McTavish exhibit.

We will focus at very least of getting a press release out for each exhibit. Jason says it is possible to do a reception in the City Hall Rotunda with proper notice and availability.

Vote: Jodi that we accept the proposal for the Kathy McTavish exhibit in both

the City Hall Rotunda and in the City Hall Mayor's Reception
Kelli seconded. All in favor.

- Memorial Piece (Lakewalk Benches) Jason
- Norshor Updates/ Changes Mary, Commission

Sandy proposes that a plaque is placed near the mural mentioning the artist and that the events depicted in the mural are events known within our region. The word *theater* will be changed to theatre. Street construction will be complete no later than October. Sue will be notified. July is a tentative time for panels to be completed, so install could be complete by August/September. Sandy will share estimated timeline for install with Christine Seitz so she is aware of the progress.

Vote: Kelli moves for approval of the reversal of the Nutcracker and the spelling of theater to theatre. Ashley seconds. All in favor.

- Leif Erickson Jodi, Mary

We are in the quote process for carvers. Mary spoke with the Nordic Center. Jodi and Kelli will attend the Nordic Center board meeting on July 10 at 3 p.m. to inform the organization of our intent to correct the history depicted on the Leif Erickson statue. There will be an invite to include the Nordic Center in the correction of the description. Jodi will also invite Laurel to this meeting.

- Airport Jodi
- Superior Street Reconstruction Mary, Jodi, Ashley
- Conservation Ashley

Jason reached out to 3 masons about conservation for the Duluth Legacy sculpture in Canal Park by Caribou Coffee. He is waiting to hear back from them. Ashley sent an email to Penny Perry for insight.

Other concerns for pieces: names are getting scratched into one. There is cracking happening on another due to bolts that were installed by the City. Ashley and Jodi will come up with a list of needed conservation by our next meeting.

ART+CULTURE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- Social Media Update Jodi
- Other Business
- Confirm next meeting date: **July 15th, 2019**

6:00 **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

DPAC Mission Statement (approved 7.18.2016)

The Duluth Public Arts Commission fosters arts development and advocates for public art and arts events. It advises the City of Duluth on arts-related matters and promotes the positive economic impact the arts has in the community and the region. It also assists the City in the development and maintenance of an ongoing Municipal Arts and Culture Plan. The Duluth Public Arts Commission, in all its endeavors, is committed to inclusivity, collaboration and fairness.