Duluth Public Arts Commission

MINUTES for Monday, January 24th, 2022

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting started at 4:06 pm.

Present: Tammy Clore, Scottie Gardonio, Paula Gudmundson, Philip Gilpin, Kelli Hallsten Erickson, Noah Hobbs, Christina Woods

Absent: Bret Amundson, Amy Demmer, Amanda McElray Hunter, Melissa LaTour

Staff: Eleanor Bacso, Adam Fulton

1. Public Comment

Approval of Minutes

2. December 20th, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Hobbs made a motion to approve the December 20th, minutes with a second by Gardonio.

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Gudmundson joined the meeting at 4:12pm.

Discussion Items

3. Deaccessioning Discussion

Woods shared that the granite piece called Stenen appears to be unrepairable and there are concerns that if it is moved or filled in that it may fall apart. Currently, Stenen is stable right now and will not cause any harm or risk. Woods asked if DPAC would like to put together an ad-hoc subcommittee regarding deaccessioning. Hobbs reiterated the need to figure out which pieces that are no longer viable and that have lived their life-span. Gardonio asked if conservation committee could take this under their committee or if it would need to be separate because of the significant overlap. Gudmundson said the conservation committee has substantial work currently. Woods said that this could be good community engagement opportunity that could be a part of the ad-hoc subcommittee. Woods requested commissioners to is anyone in the community that may be interested in joining this meeting. Bacso will send out an email to commissioners who are interested in joining the ad-hoc subcommittee.
Action Items

4. Utility Box Art Wrap Submissions

Bacso overviewed the submissions by two artists. Commissioner Clore shared comments from artists who have submitted artwork for this and the need to improve DPAC’s request for proposals application. Woods offered to review the request for proposals that have been sent out.

Hallsten Erickson asked how DPAC has acquired artwork in the past. Bacso and Fulton will need to do historical research and report back to the commission via email. Woods offered to review the previous request for proposals that have been sent out submissions.

Hobbs made a motion to accept the two submissions for the utility box art wrap for the with a second by Paula.

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Communications

5. Staff Updates

Bacso shared updated the commission upcoming Lincoln Park light projection that will be hosted on the Duluth Children’s Museum and Aerostich and that DPAC has received a couple of applications for the Duluth International Airport Rotating Exhibition. Woods asked for a list of all of the opportunities and to take time at the next DPAC meeting and for commissioners to review all of the opportunities available.

Gudmundson asked if the commission is having a difficult time receiving applications for the request for proposals that we should consider where we are focusing. Woods shared information about Submittable in which the Duluth Art Institute receives applications. Gudmundson stated that DPAC should look into rebuilding the artist contact list.

Subcommittee Reports

6. Conservation Subcommittee

Conservation subcommittee did not meet recently. Woods said Hovland Construction will do some work on a few pieces this spring.

7. Superior Street Art Walk Subcommittee
Hobbs shared the subcommittee did not meet in January but will proceed to meet monthly.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Hobbs and a second by Clore. Meeting adjourned at 4:54pm.