

**Duluth Public Arts Commission**

**MINUTES for Monday, February 24, 2020**

**4:30pm-6:00pm**

**LOCATION: Conference Room 155**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Sandy Johnson, Ashley Kolka-Lee, Jodi Broadwell, Melissa LaTour, Ben Vantassel (staff), Steven Robertson (staff), Eleanor Bacso (staff)

Absent: Mary Tennis, Kelli Latuska

Additions to the Agenda -no additions were made to the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January Meeting Minutes

Ashley makes a motion to approve the minutes, Melissa seconds, all in favor.

Financial Report

Eleanor shared an update regarding DPAC's financials. Ashley will follow up with Penny Perry in regards to payment for sculptures.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

DPAC Paid Staff Sandy Johnson

Sandy mentioned that we are waiting to have a full commission before making any decisions regarding DPAC paid staff. Currently, this topic is on hold.

NorShor Wrap Sandy Johnson

Sandy shared that the sign has been installed at the NorShor mural. The individuals who were installing it suggested there are a couple of pieces on the plaque itself that we could put double-sided tape or some sort of glue that would attach it to the mural. Ashley and Melissa shared they are inclined to think the sign is okay as is. Ashley said replacing it would be easy without damaging the mural. The decision was to leave the sign as is.

Airport Update

Jodi shared that she is going to finish her updates to the Google document and she will share it Eleanor to post on website, share on Facebook and share it with individuals. Eleanor will send the request for proposals out to those who were invited to the mural unveiling. Eleanor will check with Jason to see what list the first RFP was sent to.

## Library Update

The library reached out to Jodi regarding rotating art that they have had on exhibition on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. For an upcoming exhibition, they want to celebrate diversity. They asked Jodi if she wants to organize an exhibition during the same time as Duluth Superior Pride. She shared that we could tweak our process in collaboration with the library. The library was really interested in that, they keep reaching out to periodically to meet. Jodi said we are here to support if they need anything. Jodi shared that there are some pieces of large art that are outdated and that the library would like something new. Sandy said it would be fun to find all of the pieces and have it in one inventory spot (what the City owns). Jodi said that one of the commissioners could sit with the library to go through and approve art with them. Ashley said there could be other stakeholders as part of a group. Sandy brought up the grey line about public art in the library. Jodi explained about the process of the City's general form for Parks and Recreation and that this form would be different. Maybe one of DPAC Commissioners could be involved and working with them and develop a partnership. There could be a potential for paid work at the library. Next step is showing them the form and working with them to get it rolling.

## Superior Street Project

Sandy shared that they had to reschedule the subcommittee meeting to March 4<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting Date- Steven will be point of contact and he will be taking the minutes.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### DAI Proposal

Ashley said she thinks it would fit in the space nicely. DPAC said they like the pieces. Have the colorful piece on the wall behind where they put the art. All in favor. Sandy asked when the rotunda pieces will be moved out and have another piece of artwork.

The meeting ended at 5:33.