

Duluth Public Arts Commission

MINUTES for 4.17.23

Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting started at 4:01PM

Commissioners: Wes Drummond, Scottie Gardonio, Carly Jandl, Kelli Hallsten Erickson, Amanda McElray Hunter, Christina Woods, Amy Demmer, Philip Gilpin, Tammy Clore, Shari Marshik

Present: Christina Woods, Amy Demmer, Tammy Clore, Lee Cutler, Kelli Hallsten Erickson, Shari Marshik

Absent: Amanda McElray Hunter, Scottie Gardonio, Carly Jandl

Staff: Tricia Hobbs

- Public Comment

Approval of Minutes

- February Regular Meeting Minutes

Cutler made a motion to approve December meeting minutes with a second by Clore. Approved.

Drummond	Gardonio	Jandl	Hallsten Erickson	McElray Hunter	Woods	Demmer	Clore	Marshik	Cutler
X	X	X	Y	X	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Discussion Items

- Armory Arts Presentation – Michelle Miller
 - a. Michelle provided a presentation to Commissioners regarding the history and future of the Armory.
 - i. The Armory intends to open to the public fall of 2024.

- ii. The space will feature a commercial kitchen, food hub, events center, office/studio spaces, as well as flexible space for performances.
 - iii. **ACTION ITEM**: Tricia to send contact information for Michelle and Mark to Commissioners.
- Commission Authority and Purpose Review
 - a. The Commission reviewed the DPAC packet assembled by Commissioner Woods. Once the budget is finalized packets will be printed and made available to commissioners.

Action Items

Communications

- Staff Updates
 - a. Park Point Art Fair request:
 - i. Are there existing applications or processes?
 - ii. How might we support other art-focused events?
 - iii. Do we partner with groups already planning and executing? Or we do it ourselves?
 - iv. Broader discussion around how public art is funded?
 - v. Ideas:
 - 1. Create an impact report to demonstrate what DPAC has done this past year?
 - vi. Budget – how can we spend the Tourism Tax fund down by 12/31/23?
 - 1. **ACTION ITEM**: Request monthly financial statements from Finance and create a budget v. spend for DPAC.
 - 2. **PROPOSED TOURISM TAX FUNDING**:
 - a. Mural \$10,000
 - b. Utility Box Wrap \$14,000
 - c. Lights \$9,300

- d. Brass Plaque \$13,000
- e. Street Art \$15,700
- f. Bench Cover \$5,000

OTHER FUNDING:

- g. Signage \$25,000
- h. Airport Art \$5,000
- i. Conservation \$8,000
- j. Flex Funding \$25,000
- vii. **ACTION ITEM:** Commissioner Marshik will draft version for application for DPAC funding and share with the group.
- viii. **ACTION ITEM:** Move forward values-based budgeting discussion for next month.
- ix. **ACTION ITEM:** Reply to Park Point Art Fair and let them know we cannot this year, but would like to in future years.

Subcommittee Reports

- Deaccessioning Subcommittee
 - a. No updates
- Conservation Subcommittee
 - a. No updates
- Performance and Festival Committee
 - a. No updates

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Marshik, second by Demmer. The meeting adjourned at 5:30PM.