



Public Art Advisory Board Minutes

November 18, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

City Hall Chapman Room
401 South Park Avenue | Winter Park, Florida

Present

Board: Linda Metcalf, Lynne Bachrach, Austin Reeves, Jessica deArcos, Tiffany Freeland(Slaughter), Betsy Gwinn, Daniel Humphrees, Joseph Rovario, and Austin Reeves (12:09 p.m.)

Staff: Program Manager Lindsey Hayes, Coordinator Laura Halsey

Absent

Meeting called to order

Vice Chair, Linda Metcalf, called the meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm. A quorum was present.

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Approval of minutes

Motion made by Betsy Gwinn, seconded by Lynne Bachrach, to approve the September 15, 2019 Minutes. Motion passes 7-0.

New Business

a. Art and Cultural Alliance Strategic Planning Update

Program Manager, Lindsey Hayes, informed the board that the Alliance will be meeting again in December. CRA is funding Bach Festival pop-up performances in 2020, beginning in February. Betsy Gwinn with the Bach Festival added that the performances are scheduled to take place on Tuesday & Thursday afternoons over a three-week period along the avenue. The next Alliance meeting is scheduled for December 5th at 9:00 a.m. at Casa Feliz.

Old Business

a. I-4 Art Endowment draft call for proposal review

Ms. Hayes asked Chair, Austin Reeves, and the rest of the board, how they would like to approach the review of proposals for the installation. Her initial thoughts were how durable the art pieces are, if they would like to keep the artwork to local artists, and there was input that the pieces should be related to Winter Park. Also, muralists are allowed to participate but a temporary wall would need to be included in their proposal as the City will not approve any artwork to be painted on permanent structures. Ms. Hayes estimates that Florida Department of Transportation would like the piece to be able to endure fifteen to twenty years so durability is a huge factor in the selection of artwork. The Bungalowier drew attention to the upcoming project when they published a superimposed photo of Godzilla on Interstate 4. Ms. Hayes wants to ensure there Board receives a wide selection to choose from, and suggested the Board invite artists to submit an application. From the main group of applications the board can then short-list artists to provide detailed information and a sample of their work. Board expressed concern in the timeline as the narrowing down of applicants could be very time consuming. Parks would look at the pieces to give feedback as they will be responsible for maintaining the pieces, and Public Works will give feedback as far as maintaining a clear line of sight along the roadways. Discussion ensued regarding the best meeting time to review the applications. The consensus is to continue the meetings at noon as it

works best for the majority of the board members. Board members inquired about the amount of foot traffic, what the specifications for the artwork are, will the artwork be fenced in, and if it is to be visible while traveling both East and West on Interstate 4. The City is working to improve the aesthetics of the entranceway from Interstate 4. Staff asked if the Board had any preference on what they would like to see in the area but they opted not to limit the creativity of the art. Once the applications have been received the board will discuss what options are most viable and most aesthetically pleasing. Board members inquired if the City owns the former Club Harem property on Lee Rd. and, if so, would that be an option for the artwork to be installed on the empty lot to allow accessibility and parking for those who may want to visit and enjoy the artwork. Staff will reach out to Florida Department of Transportation. Board thought it would be a great opportunity to turn the lot into a sculpture park. Staff will speak with City management to retrieve feedback on that option.

There being no further business. Meeting adjourned at 1:0 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for December 16, 2019 at 12:00 noon. A special I-4 art review workshop will be held on December 9, 2019 at 12:00 noon.

Austin Reeves, Board Chair

Laura Neudorffer, Board Liaison