



**LAKESWOOD ARTS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING Minutes**  
Date: Monday, January 6, 2020 Time: 5:00PM – 6:15 PM  
Lakewood City Hall, American Lake Room  
6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Arts Commission Members Present:** Earl Borgert, Adriana Bayer, Lani Neil, Tod Wolf, Darryl Owens, Patti Belle, Phil Raschke

**Arts Commission Members Excused:** Linda McDermott, Judy Swortz, Kat Flores, Susan Warner

**Unexcused:** Paige Hansen

**Staff:** Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator, Nicolette York, Office Assistant

**Youth Council Liaison:** Kyle King, Angel Lee

**Council Liaison:** Jason Whalen

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Tod Wolf moved to approve the December minutes and Lani Niel seconded. MPU.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Original Artists Film Festival:** We will revisit this in February 2020.

**Holiday Committee:**

**Jingle Bell Dash:** The new half mile Jingle Bell Dash did not gain traction this year. Jason mentioned returning to the 5k run in the morning or around 9-10am. The run in the City is fun and people dress up. The costume contest has been successful in that realm. Having a paid registration is important.

**Parade:** The parade has outgrown the Park Lodge site for staging. Consider moving the parade to the Colonial Plaza. We could have the run start there as well and even the vendors. Sally will meet with Linda at the Chamber to discuss. If the vendors return it is important to advertise it as a holiday bizarre. For the City Council members in the parade, it was suggested to create magnets or signs that have the council member's names on them to put on the vehicles transporting them. Also give them candy to hand out.

Parade Judging: Whoever is judging, this should be their only job. This was very difficult to do while the vehicles were in line. Some entered and then dressed up their floats so they looked different right up to the end. Also the lights weren't on in line so that aspect was difficult to judge. It was suggested to have every name of float entries on index card which can be passed to the announcer. Consider numbering vehicles again like last year. Importantly, move time to 5:00 with tree lighting at 6 so it is dark.

**Colonial Plaza Update:** Sally will present an agenda bill on January 24<sup>th</sup> for Perri Howard's contract budget to be officially approved.

**Public Art:** The subcommittee is working on a City Council presentation to recommend public art projects, on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>. From McGavick revenue, public art received about \$15k a year. There is an additional \$30,000 in 2020 that could go toward public art. The subcommittee is looking at plinths with rotating art, traffic signal wraps and murals.

Preliminary research has been done with the City of Olympia to see who make their plinths. It is suggested to start on small scale of 4-6 plinths. They are very cost effective, engage the community and are ever-changing. Artist put their art on the top of the plinth and the artist is responsible for putting it in place. The artist is responsible for getting it to and from the site. The community can vote on a fan favorite. Earl will present the power point for the 24<sup>th</sup> at the February Arts Commission meeting.

The importance of being involved at the planning stages of new developments, to include public art, was discussed. This will be mentioned in the recommendation. Jason said not to include specific locations in the presentation. The new round a bout on Veterans drive is a good location for a sculpture. Jason spoke to Paul Bucich and Paul will arrange to have the necessary space and electrical for an art piece. This will probably be for 2021. Jason also mentioned doing murals on plywood pieces that can be put together as an easy to put up and breakdown option.

Colorful up lighting was suggested in dark areas or underpasses as an inexpensive public art option.

**Summer Concerts:** The starting time will be moved to 6:30 and discussed having a dance lesson prior the start. Discussed a beer garden and asking nonprofits that may be interested in operating it. Sub-committee will meet following this meeting.

**Rotating Art:** Lani and Susan met in December, still in discussions.

**MLK Event Update:** Event taking place Feb. 1, 2020 at Harrison Preparatory School, 9103 Lakewood Dr SW, Lakewood, WA 98499 at 10 a.m.

**New Business:**

**Elections for Art Commission Positions:** Todd moved to have Linda McDermott continue in her position as Chair and moved to have Earl Borgert continue as Vice Chair. Patti seconded the motion

**Council Comments:** None

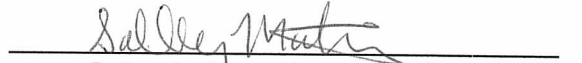
**Board Comments:** None

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Monday, February 3, 2020 at 5:00 pm City Hall, American Lake Room**

**ADJOURNMENT** Earl adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Linda McDermott, Chair

  
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Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator