

LAKEWOOD ARTS COMMISSION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING Minutes

Date: Monday, January 4, 2021 Time: 5:00PM - 6:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Arts Commission Members Present: Linda McDermott, Adriana Bayer, Patti Belle, Paige Hansen, Darryl Owens, Lua Pritchard, Susan Warner, Phil Raschke,

Arts Commission Members Excused: Earl Borgert, Lani Neil

Youth Council Liaison: Angel Lee- Present, Estaban Panangelinan-absent, Kayala Purdieabsent

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

Council Liaison: Jason Whalen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lua Pritchard moved to approve the December 7, 2020 minutes and Patti Belle seconded. MPU.

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections: Lua Pritchard moved to have Linda McDermott and Earl Borgert continue as chair and vice-chair for the year. Susan Warner seconded. MPU.

Committees: The commission discussed the current committees and the alignment with the work plan. Linda asked if the commission should take a step back from the Holiday event since the recreation department can plan and fund it. Linda proposed that the commission be more involved with public art and performing art. To that end there will be two committees only, Public Art Committee and Performing Arts Committee. Susan brought up the educational component of public art and providing access. Adriana will continue to serve as the MLK liaison but it will no longer be called a committee.

Public Art Committee: (includes Colonial Plaza Art, Utility Box wraps, Special Events, Rotating art) Lead Earl Borgert, Darryl Owens, Jason Whalen, Lani Neil, Patti Belle, Susan Warner.

Performing Arts Committee: (Includes Film Festival, Special Events, Summer Concert Series) Lead Linda McDermott, Lani Neil, Lua Prichard, Paige Hansen, Adriana Bayer, Phil Raschke, Patti Belle)

Linda discussed using the budget for \$6,000 budget for the utility wraps. The commission agreed that it would be a great idea. It will provide an immediate visual impact. Lua Pritchard suggested installing near the gateway signs. Linda McDermott made the motion to use the budget of \$6k for Lua Pritchard seconded. MPU

OLD BUSINESS:

Reverse Parade Debrief: Paige said the event was well attended. People waiting for two hours, we could do better. Patti said we are not alone. Paige suggested assigning time slots. Patti also suggested multiple days. Lua Pritchard said that chaos is usually expected with large events. She only heard good things said about the event.

25th Anniversary Art Exhibit/Call to Artists: The contest was launched. Closes on February 15th. Only 5 submissions so far. February 28th will be the announcements. Who would like to Judge? Susan, Patti, and Linda will be the judges.

Colonial Plaza Art Update: \$95,000 in the budget for sculpture at the Colonial Plaza. Sally will present options to council. There are two options: A call to artist that goes out broadly or choose a couple of artists from a short list to present one or two designs. Jason suggested that the subcommittee look at a couple of options online to present to council. There will not be a water feature. Next step is for Sally to meet with Mary who will discuss options with the City Manager.

Strategic Consultants Final Report Review: Sally sent out the report. They proposed two events, a Mural Festival and an arts and cultural Block Party at Colonial Plaza.

Council Comments: None

Board Comments:

Paige said that being Olaf was a lot of fun. If you have the opportunity to be Olaf, do it.

Sally asked about continuing education at our meetings. The members would like that. Topics suggested: Local artists discussing their craft, grants, Arts WA economic development through the arts, artists discussing their experience with public art.

Paige asked if anyone had received a COVID vaccine.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, February 1, 2021 at 5:00 pm via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT: Linda adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Linda McDermott, Chair

Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator