

Public Art Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
21 June, 2022

Call to Order: 4:02

Attending:

Stephanie Von Fange
Sandy Friedman, Chair
Nancy Henjum, City Councilor
Chrystie Hopkins

Matt Mayberry
Ryan O'Meara
Richard Sebastian-Coleman, Secretary

Citizen Comment:

- Kim Polomko
 - Advises reestablishing relationship with Donna Nelson.
 - Also looking for art pieces to include in presentation to Colorado Springs' sister city in Australia.
 - Matt to facilitate.

Meeting Minutes Approval

- Chrystie motions to approve 4-19 Minutes, unanimous approval
- Stephanie motions to approve 5-17 Minutes, unanimous approval

Discussions

- Statue placed in Garden of the Gods roundabout, no one knows how it got there or who approved it. Matt to investigate further and report back.

Public Art Position

- Presentation on Panorama Park by Chandi Aldena and Conni Schmeisser
 - Inauguration on August 20th at about 10:30 a.m.
 - Josh Wiener selected as artist due to concept and experience with similarly scoped art projects and community involvement.
 - Held three workshops: create concept, pitched to the community, build and installation.
 - Longterm funding provided by another donor.
- Patty Jewett Junction Project
 - Playground next to Good Neighbors Coffee complete
 - Looking to develop public art installation at San Miguel St and Shook's Run Trail
 - Amy spearheading process
- Old Colorado City Gallery
 - Multi use space being developed in Old Colorado City at former Machine Shop
 - Potential pilot program for Public Art Position
 - Members invited to visit site at date to be determined, coordinated by Stephanie.
- Commission endorses sending Sandy back to El Pomar and COPPeR to pitch the idea of a pilot program to them using the two projects above.

Administrative Updates

- City has completed Capital Projects budget for 2023, unfunded needs will be budgeted next.
- PAC will get a chance to weigh in on budgeting process sometime in September.
- Proposed change to Public Art Maintenance fund, namely that the current budget proposal is to not fund it. This will make life difficult for Matt and addressing any other arts funding needs.
- Commissioners tasked with coming up with parameters for review of pieces that come before the commission. An August meeting will be convened specifically for it.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:04 p.m.