



## **AGENDA**

### **Public Art Commission**

Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 4:00 PM

Pikes Peak Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

107 N. Nevada Ave., Colorado Springs, CO, 80903

### **1. Call to Order**

### **2. Review Meeting Minutes**

- Review Public Art Commission Minutes from April 16, 2018

### **2. Public Comment**

### **3. Presentations and Discussions**

#### **3.A. Public Art Master Plan Update**

*Presenter, Kendall Peterson*

#### **3.B. Art on the Streets 2019**

*Presenter, Claire Swinford – Downtown Colorado Springs*

### **4. Member announcements**

### **5. Adjournment**

## **PUBLIC ART COMMISSION**

April 16th 4:00pm 2019 meeting Pikes Peak Room City Hall

-Meeting called to order 4:03pm by the Chair Bernard Byers

In Attendance: Voting members

Bernard Byers (C), Sandy Friedman (VC) Kim Polomka. (Sec), Hillary Dodge, Marta Lacombe, Lisa Cross.

Absent: Joanna Crosby, Thomas Walker, Sarah Stonestreet, Matt Mayberry (Cultural Service Manager/Director)

Youth Ambassadors: Nicholas (Cee) Tuma, Maximus Wilkhite

Absent: Malia Pereira

City Staff Ted Skroback, City Staff Liaison

Council representative: Tom Strand,

**Stan VanderWerf**, District 3, County Commissioner

**David Siegel, Parks Representative**

Guests: Dracy Harthog (Ellicott High School), Emily Callahan (CSU-N)

Approval of minutes

Moved Vice chair, Seconded Commissioner Dodge

Public Comment:

Commissioner Polomka informed members that Carrie Franklin from Edward Jones Financial, 307 E Fontanero was interested in being part of the Friday Art walk. Her enquires were sent to Downtown Partnership and PPAC. Carrie is very excited to be part of the Art walk.

Ambassadors were asked about their perceptions of the PAC and if there is even a need for an Art commission and what can made to be more effective.

How the PAC is run, is very smooth, and to get more awareness of the PAC was a response from Youth Ambassador Tuma.

Councilor Stand suggested contacting the Independent or Gazette and see if an article could be forthcoming to implement a program of an awareness to the community at large and charged Ted Skroback to look into this.

Councilor Stand mentioned that the Mayor spoke of public art number times in a Mayoral speech, which is a positive sign that that the perception re Public Art is changing.

Members brought up many urban renewal projects that are happening in Colorado Springs, specifically the Norwood project that has earmarked millions of dollars for Public Art over a 25yr period of development and growth in the South Nevada Region.

**Stan VanderWerf**, County Commissioner suggested that members talk about projects and believes it is a good idea for the commission to be better well known and ways to do that is to talk about projects members are doing.

Chair Byers made note of the work session City Council presentation and if this is something that the Commission would like to do with the county.

County Commissioner **VanderWerf** suggested that a short presentation about 2 mins or if it were on the Agenda it that would give more time of around 10 minutes. Another option is public comment. This would allow 3 mins of time to speak to the county commissioners. Overhead projection is available for visual presentations. Public comment time is towards the end of the meeting. Thursday is the best time for such a presentation.

Chair Byers asked if there was anything else that the Ambassadors would like to make comment about their experience with the art commission.

Ambassador Wilkhite talked about her experience on the Art commission and that it has been a good one, and that she hadn't heard of the Art Commission before her Ambassadorship to the Art Commission, and it was interesting to see the mechanics of the Commission in action.

Chair Byers asked that if the Ambassadors wanted to contribute or add anything of their own, that this action would be most welcomed indeed, and their feedback is also appreciated.

County Commissioner **VanderWerf** mentioned the 1<sup>st</sup> Art walk with Andy Vick from Copper and there is also an Art walk with the Commissioner that happens in the autumn. County Commissioner **VanderWerf suggested that maybe contacting Andy Vick and getting an Art Walk with the Public Art Commission could be yet another way to promote an awareness of the PAC.**

**“To get own name out”**

**Commissioner Dodge suggested that we get involved with Peak Radar and have our meetings advertised on their website. The community can then be aware of our meetings, which currently only are presented on the city PAC webpage.**

**Chair Byers asked fore an update on Alternate members and interviews on the Art Commission. Seven applications have been received so far; deadline is 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May.**

City Liaison informed the Commission that all boards and commissions are going through an update of revised procedures and bylaws.

County Commissioner **VanderWerf explained that the county has a different procedure when it comes to the criteria for selection on Boards.**

**Commissioner Polomka presented a visual display using photographic manipulation to show members where the Trail Blazers sculpture could be relocated. Various concepts were presented. This has positive implication as members do not need to visit the site but can see for themselves the possibilities of different site locations.**

**David Siegel, Parks Board Representative explained that Downtown partnership is funding the relocation of the sculpture, and that the artist will be implementing some updates and cleaning of the artwork, also he is happy with the new location.**

**The rationale for moving the sculpture was to allow Downtown partnership to use the existing site for the Master Gateway program, and this site is one of the gateways into the city.**

County Commissioner **VanderWerf announced that on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2pm the unveiling of the Don Stratton USS Arizona exhibit, honoring our local hometown heroes. A committee had been formed to raise the \$100k privately needed to construct such a world-class museum quality exhibit. This will be in the COS airport for 2 years on the secure side of the airport.**

County Commissioner **VanderWerf also informed that the county has large collection of artworks, and that it would be beneficial for members to have a tour of the facility to see the collection. Members were excited by this prospect.**

Emily Callahan (CSU-N), a guest at the PAC meeting asked the question if this Art Commission was mainly concerned with the visual arts. Ms. Callahan was told that all area in the arts are represented by the Public Art Commission.

Vice Chair Friedman mentioned that the Art of the Streets program is moving forward and that the selected artworks will be installed in early June.

The Vice Chair informed members that the 1<sup>st</sup> Steering committee was conducted via a teleconference and lasted 2 hrs. Tom Stand, Chair Byers and Vice Chair Friedman were present at the meeting.

Lastly Commissioner **VanderWerf suggested a role the Public Art Commission could play....**

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**Chair ended meeting at 4.57pm**