LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION: REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2016 LOVELAND MUSEUM GALLERY: CONFERENCE ROOM 5:00 PM – REGULAR VAC BUSINESS

The September 1st, 2016 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairperson Nancy Jakobsson. Commissioners present: Roger Clark, Greg Hoff, Judy O'Gorman, Maryjo Morgan, Margie Rosborough, Abbie Powers and Sara Turner. Absent: Jade Windell. Also present were: Jennifer Cousino (Loveland Museum/Gallery) and Staff Liaisons Susan Ison, Kimber Kreutzer and Katie Fowers. City Council liaison Leah Johnson was not present.

Call Meeting to Order

- **A.** Additions or Corrections to the September 1st, 2016 meeting agenda: Agenda Items *I*) Faces and *J*) Painted Crosswalks were added under VAC Business/Action Items. Agenda Item *J*) Longmont Visit was added under Staff Updates.
- **B.** Additions or Corrections to the August 4th, 2016 meeting minutes: There were no additions or corrections to the meeting minutes. Roger Clark motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Margie Rosborough seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **C.** Citizen Comments: Citizens wishing to address the Visual Arts Commission shall be allotted 3 minutes to address VAC business. There were no citizens present to comment on VAC business.

VAC Business/Action Items

- **A.** Maintenance, Jennifer Cousino: Jennifer circulated the first report from Sculpture Services of Colorado. Their maintenance was completed before the Sculpture in the Park Show and the report was very complete and professional. Pacific Coast Conservation (Denver) has also completed their maintenance and a formal report should be available in the next few weeks. Patrick Kipper is currently working on the special projects. Ken Williams is doing an assessment and a bid to estimate the cost of repairing all the damaged plinths.
 - Nancy asked for approval for the Special Maintenance Meeting Minutes from June 30th, 2016. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. Greg Hoff motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Sara Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- **B.** Casey at the Bat, Jennifer Cousino: Jennifer has tried to contact the artist to get his opinion on new placement, but has yet to hear a response. She will continue trying this month and hopefully settle on a new location for next month's meeting.
- C. Budget, Susan Ison: Susan distributed the updated budget. There is a new place on the budget that reflects just maintenance costs. Maintenance was expensive this year, but this is not typical of how much it will cost in future years. We still have some lingering costs associated with maintenance and ongoing projects, but those will be reflected as the money is spent. Also, Susan is working to get better information from accounting about where specifically the money in our budget is coming from in order to help us more wisely allocate funds for our projects.
- **D. Dark Heart Coffee Mural**: The owners of Dark Heart Coffee showed the final proposal for the mural as well as the artistic renderings of their new building. It is located at 419 Jefferson and the mural will be painted by H.H. Littlesky on the North Wall of the building. It is anticipated to be completed in October and the budget that had been approved previously is still the same as it was on the old building.
- **E.** 4th **Street Gallery, Susan Ison**: The committee met last month and decided to let Economic Development continue to manage this space.
- **F.** Solveig Lark Memorial Plaque, Susan Ison: Susan presented the VAC with two images of Solveig Lark to get their feedback on which image they would like see turned into the plaque. The consensus was the image of Solveig holding up a new piece of artwork instead of the formal bust image. She will take this opinion back to the artist and the donor.

- **G.** LHPAC/VAC Social Gathering, Nancy Jakobsson: Nancy heard back from the LHPAC that Wednesday, October 12th will be the best date for them. LHPAC requested to present a brief slideshow/description about what they do as a council. The VAC will also request a curator or docent be available to give a brief gallery talk about the exhibit. The evening will begin at 6 pm and hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served.
- **H. HOA Proposal, Susan Ison**: Susan received a request from an HOA in town to donate a piece of sculpture to the City of Loveland that will be placed in the entrance to their neighborhood. The HOA plans to raise the funds for the VAC to purchase the sculpture; the HOA will be responsible to maintain the piece. The VAC was favorable to this idea pending approval of the proposed piece of artwork.
- **I. Faces, Susan Ison**: The City is currently in discussion about repairing the pedestrian bridge, so it is possible that it will not be necessary to move *Faces* after all. More information to follow as it becomes available.
- **J. Painted Crosswalks, Sara Turner**: As changes are being made to Downtown Loveland, the LDP is very interested in the idea of enhanced crosswalks. There are various meetings going on about what the plan will be for the beautification downtown, so Susan will make sure that this idea is presented.

It was also discussed possibly using this same idea on the new proposed crosswalk on 29th Street between Benson Park Sculpture Garden and North Lake Park.

Staff Updates

- **A.** Railroad Avenue Bridge, Susan Ison: There is no update on this bridge.
- B. Wilson Avenue Bridge, Susan Ison: The project is complete.
- **C. 2D Rotation Committee Update**, **Kimber Kreutzer**: The rotation of the 2D pieces has started. Some of the pieces that were in storage have been hung in the hallway at the Civic Center. More updates to follow as they become available. Other things discussed were:
 - * Hang Colorado Horsepower on the empty wall at the entrance to City Hall.
 - * Genesis of a Thunderbolt had to be removed from the DC because the base obstructed the hallway.
 - * Feather Ghost cannot be placed in the City Attorney's office because it is too large.
 - * Maryjo is still working with Marcia at the Library to find a place for the Roy Wilce tryptic.
- **D.** South Catalyst Wood, Susan Ison: Greg received suggestions on how to properly care for the bridge depending on what it is being used for. No decisions have been made yet about how to use the wood.
- **E.** Loving the Moment by Kathleen Caricof, Susan Ison: It was decided to move the piece to the bottom floor of the Rialto Theater against the back wall. Once it is moved, the artist will work on site to repair the piece. Susan is currently working with the artist to coordinate schedules.
- **F.** *Mountain Comrades*, **Susan Ison**: They are working on getting approval for the exact location for *Mountain Comrades*. There is also a discussion about possibly getting CDOT to help with funding to beautify the entrance that currently has gravel rocks and barriers.

There are also plans to remove the mosaics from the plaza and hopefully place them on a bridge in the future.

- **G.** Transformations, Kimber Kreutzer: The boxes have been primed and the artists have all started working on their boxes. Two of them are already completed. We have also found a new company to clear coat the boxes at the end of September. Kimber will send out the locations of the boxes so that the VAC can monitor their progress at their leisure.
- **H.** Sculpture in the Park, Susan Ison: Early feedback is that the show was successful but are still awaiting the final report.

- **I. AIPP Facebook Page, Kimber Kreutzer**: The VAC approved the proposal for the image banner to go on the AIPP Facebook Page. It will be up and running before next meeting.
- **J.** Longmont Visit, Susan Ison: The public art commission in Longmont has requested a member of the VAC take them on a tour of the art in Loveland on a Saturday in October. The VAC is happy to accommodate this request. Maryjo Morgan and Roger Clark volunteered to help as long as the timing works with their schedules.

City Council Update

There was no City Council member present to give an update.

Information Sharing

- * Susan plans to follow up with the Library about the Patty Goodwine memorial.
- * An article about the role of public art in the community was distributed.
- * Friday September 9th is the ATV golf tournament.
- * Studio Vino is hiring again if anyone knows of a qualified candidate.
- * Doug Rutledge is having a fundraiser and all VAC members are invited.

Adjournment

Citing no further VAC business, Abbie Powers moved to adjourn. Greg Hoff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20. The length of the meeting was 1:20.