# LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION: REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

# THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2017 LOVELAND MUSEUM/GALLERY 5:00 PM-REGULAR VAC BUSINESS

approved 5.4.17

The April 6, 2017 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm by Abbie Powers. Commissioners present: Bruce Gueswel, Greg Hoff, Nancy Jakobsson, Maryjo Morgan, Judy O'Gorman, Abbie Powers, Margie Rosborough, Sara Turner and Jade Windell. Also present were staff liaisons Susan Ison and Suzanne Janssen.

## Call Meeting to Order

- A. Additions or Corrections to the April 6, 2017 meeting agenda: Addition: Mary Adams Proposal
- **B.** Additions or Corrections to the March 2, 2017 meeting minutes: Maryjo moved to approve the March 2017 meeting minutes as written. Nancy seconded the motion. 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. Roger Clark joined the meeting at 5:30pm to discuss Maintenance and the Appreciation Event.

### VAC Business/Action Items

#### A. Maintenance:

**Special Treatment Recommendations**: Bruce reported that the list has been reviewed and most special treatments are recommended as provided by Pat Kipper. Specific discussion notes are as follows:

The Obelisk by Bruce Gueswel: A new lock has been placed; key (purposely) glued into lock for ease in access. Wing Wave by Timothy Roundy: The committee recommended approving repatina; however, there are concerns over continued maintenance issues if the installation and plinth (which is badly eroded) are not addressed. Committee noted: Top of the sculpture is badly scratched and appears as if people are climbing upon the artwork; water marks are very bad due to the way sprinklers hit the piece. Recommendations: Planting material around the sculpture may deter people from climbing; seek a possible relocation or increase of the plinth height. Committee will address concerns with Mac directly.

**Performance** by Evelyn Rosenberg: Bruce to remove the low-hanging, damaged bar. Estimate for repair discussed. There is no desire to move the artwork higher on the wall. Estimates will be sought for repainting the black silhouetted works. Waxing of the actual figures suggested.

*Earth, Sun & Wind* by Robert Mangold: Discussion regarding possible relocation of the sculpture to a more visible site within the downtown area.

*Water Carriers* by Herb Mignery: Need for bottom panels to be replaced, as well as patina maintenance. Estimate to be sought for stainless steel or Corten base panels. Staff will follow-up on the concern over the fountain water being shut off in winter.

The list (below) was recommended for special treatments based upon the assessments provided by Patrick Kipper. Nancy moved to approve the recommended treatments. Greg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Special Treatments to be done by Patrick Kipper	Cost
Earth Sun and Wind	450.00
Anastacio	650.00
Trigon	350.00
Two Leaves	400.00
Red & Blue Pony	500.00

Borne on the Wind		400.00
Shelter Cove		2,000.00
Wing Wave	not to exceed	2,000.00
TOTAL		6,750.00
Additional sculpture requiring special treatments may be added to this list as approved by the Visual Arts Commission.		

All painted pieces in need of special treatments will be sought and contracted.

**Hot and Cold Wax RFP:** RFP was distributed in March and three responses have been received. The Maintenance Committee will review the bids and award according to City processes.

Maintenance Fund Plan: There was lengthy discussion regarding a long-term solution to the increased cost of annual maintenance, possibly through an endowment, volunteer corps for cold wax treatments, sculpture maintenance sponsorships, etc. Susan reported that the Finance Department estimated an investment of \$4.1 million is needed to begin an endowment fund. Abbie recommended a presentation to City Council to address the need for sustainable funding as the collection continues to expand, particularly as the current maintenance policy states that maintenance funding takes precedence over artwork acquisitions. Roger offered to discuss the concept with Councilwoman Leah Johnson. Sara is interested in coordinating a sculpture adoption program (after June) if the commission decides this is a viable option. Maryjo offered to assist as needed.

**B.** 2D Artwork Rotation Committee Update: Maryjo recapped the artwork that has been rehung in the Civic Center. Susan recommended that *Waterfall-Brainard Lake* by Jim Digby by placed at City Hall rather than the Chilson Recreation Center due to Chilson Center staff concerns over suitability for the site. The following changes were recommended by staff:

Waterfall-Brainard Lake by Jim Digby: Install on the third floor (City Hall Annex Building), possibly at the stairwell landing in the atrium.

*Green Torrents* by Alan Adler: Install on the third floor (City Hall Annex Building), directly across from the elevator, in the area presently occupied by *Approach to Abquiu* by Kristina Mickelic.

Approach to Abquiu by Kristina Mickelic: Install on first floor (City Hall Annex Building) near the elevator. These recommendations were approved.

- C. Bike Rack RFP: Revisions made to the draft Request for Proposals. Final versions will be distributed to the commission for final review.
- **D.** Mountain Lion Avenue Roundabout RFP: Revisions made to the draft Request for Proposals. Final versions will be distributed to the commission for final review.
- E. Mural Project RFP: This item was tabled until the May meeting.
- F. Chilson Center Children's Project RFP: A draft will be provided prior to the May meeting.
- **G.** First Street Bridge: Sandi Nelsen has interest in repairing the series of glass mosaic tiles (titled, *Nebula*) and serve in a consulting role should the commission decide to reinstall the artwork on the new First Street Bridge (to be completed in 2017). Sandi will be compensated on an hourly basis.
- H. Boards and Commissions Summit Update: Margie and Judy attended, and expressed appreciation for this annual event.
- I. International Sculpture Day-April 24, 2017: Sara indicated that plans were finalized for the youth workshop, aged 2-12 years of age (with parent/guardian assistance). Jade will work with another local sculptor to teach

children the process of creating sculpture. Air dry clay will be purchased; goodie bags and sponsor giveaways will be distributed and snacks will be served at the workshop. Sara asked to consider an adult workshop collaborating with a local brewery in 2018.

- J. Appreciation Event, May 25th: Greg and Roger reported that event will involve three speakers, cash bar (Door 222) and approximately 200 invited guests. The anticipated expenses for the event (hors d'oeuvres, mailing costs, recognition and promotion) are \$1,200. Bruce Gueswel moved to fund this event. Jade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Staff will look for historic photos to project throughout the event. Roger will serve as emcee for the event.
- **K.** The Foundry: Staff submitted a supplemental request of \$150,000 AIPP funds for this project. City Council's second reading will take place on April 18th. The amount of AIPP funds the project will generate is still unknown at this time. Discussions with the developer will continue once an agreement with the City has been signed. Public input will be solicited through public meetings. Sara is a new member of the LDP and will also advocate for public art at this site.
- L. Governor's Invitational Art Show and Sale: The commission will view the exhibit after it opens on Saturday, April 29, 2017.
- M. Mary Adams Proposal: Susan shared a watercolor of the Rialto Theater painted by Mary Adams that she was interested in selling to the Visual Arts Commission. The commission appreciated but declined the offer.

### **Staff Updates**

- Art by Bike / Bike to Work Month (Bike Racks): Print information from the Cultural Services' aha! newsletter which highlights the Art by Bike events was shared. Rides will be held on Sunday, June 11 from 1-4pm and Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 8am-noon. Kimber and Suzanne are arranging for artists/volunteers to provide information regarding the sculptures, bike racks and murals located in key areas along the bike routes. Maryjo offered to assist with the event as needed. An adult bike rodeo will also be held during the month. A brochure of downtown art bike racks was desired.
- B. AIPP Budget: Uncommitted AIPP funds are \$14,880.
- C. Lark Memorial Event: Suzanne applied for a liquor permit for this event which is scheduled for Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Loveland Museum/Gallery. Staff is coordinating this event with John Lark.
- D. **TAAP** (Sculpture): Applications for the TAPP 3D program will be available in the coming weeks. The deadline for submission is anticipated as mid-June. The current TAAP sculptures will be de-installed after the June 24<sup>th</sup> Art by Bike event. Installation of the new works will likely take place in early July.
- E. Larimer County Building: There was no update on this item.
- F. Loving the Moment by Kathleen Caricof: Installation date is not yet known due to multiple high-priority installations underway by Museum staff and John Dilgarde.
- G. Mountain Comrades by Dan Ostermiller: Video and images of the April 5<sup>th</sup> de-installation of Mountain Comrades were shared. Utility locates have been done and a meeting will be held the following week to determine final placement. Installation is anticipated by mid-May at the new location on South Highway 287, south of the Advance Auto Parts store.

### **City Council Update**

There was no City Council update at this meeting as Councilwoman Leah Johnson is currently on maternity leave. Nolan Johnson was born on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations, Leah and Family!

### Information Sharing

- Maryjo, assisted by Bill Moninger, provided a tour of Loveland's public art for the Longmont Public Art
  Commission. She shared information regarding the Longmont Public Art Program and materials (t-shirt and
  stickers) used to promote their program.
- Abbie announced Loveland Start Up Week and encouraged commissioners to participate in this three-day event designed to develop small business. There is also an arts track geared towards regional artists.
- Susan shared an email offering Henry Moore sculptures for sale. The price far exceeds the AIPP annual budget.
- Maryjo shared resident comments regarding the fence along Highway 34 near the former Skate Castle.
- Susan shared the brochure featuring AIPP artwork within downtown Loveland. There is interest in adding more *Transformations* cabinets in downtown; however, there are limited cabinets available. Public Works will research additional sites for painting.
- Copies of Sculpture magazine were distributed.

### Adjournment

Citing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11pm.

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