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LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION: REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2017
LOVELAND MUSEUM/GALLERY
5:00 PM-REGULAR VAC BUSINESS

The May 4, 2017 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:04 pm by Abbie Powers. Commissioners present: Bruce Gueswel, Greg Hoff, Nancy Jakobsson, Maryjo Morgan, Abbie Powers, Margie Rosborough, and Sara Turner. Absent: Judy O’Gorman and Jade Windell. Also present were Councilwoman Leah Johnson and staff liaisons Susan Ison and Suzanne Janssen.

Call Meeting to Order

- A. **Additions or Corrections to the May 4, 2017 meeting agenda:** Addition: Staff Updates, Item I. *Fly Fishing* by Daniel Glanz
- B. **Additions or Corrections to the April 6, 2017 meeting minutes:** Nancy moved to approve the April 6 meeting minutes as written. Bruce 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.

VAC Business/Action Items

A. Maintenance:

- Sculpture Services of Colorado is under contract for hot and cold wax treatments.
- There was discussion regarding the best way to proceed with acquiring an ongoing maintenance fund for the Art in Public Places collection. Staff will request a Decision Package (supplemental) for the 2018 Budget as a means of establishing a specific maintenance fund. It is necessary to determine if the supplemental funds should be a percentage of the collection inventory (above the present) or if another similar method should be used.
- Bruce will be removing the bent pipe on *Performance* prior to the next meeting.
- Bruce Gueswel offered to spot weld the small mirror which has broken off of the maquette for *The Actor* by Dee Clements. Bruce believes the piece could be repaired on site.
- Maryjo presented information regarding hot-dipped, galvanized powder coating services provided by a Denver company that specializes in this treatment. If properly waxed, this surface will provide 5-10 years of protection. This treatment may prove better results than previously experienced with powder coating.

B. 2D Artwork Rotation Committee Update: A handout showing the new locations for three artworks within City Hall was shared:

- *Waterfall-Brainard Lake* by Jim Digby - the third floor of the Annex Building
- *Green Torrents* by Alan Adler – the third floor of the Annex Building across from the elevator
- *Approach to Abiquiu* by Kristina Michelic – the lower level of the Annex Building across from the elevator

C. Bike Rack RFQ (Final):

- Staff reported that the Planning Department’s *Destination Downtown: HIP Streets Master Plan* includes recommendations for standardizing bicycle racks, trashcans and benches to create a uniform aesthetic downtown. Staff will meet with the Planning Department to determine if a collaboration for the bicycle racks is possible. An update will be provided at the June meeting.
- It was noted that the incorporation of additional murals into downtown is an expressed desire within the *HIP Street Master Plan*, as well as the Downtown Development Authority. The Planning Department will host a public Open House for public feedback on the *HIP Streets Master Plan* during the June 9th Night on the Town.

D. Mountain Lion Avenue Roundabout RFQ (Final): The commission reviewed the Request for Qualifications and approved moving forward with releasing the Request onto the CAFÉ (Call for Entry) website. The application deadline is Friday, July 14, 2017. In addition to newly fabricated artwork, an artist may submit artwork within their existing inventory.

- E. **Mural Project RFP Review:** The draft RFP was distributed to the commission; however, more direction for the project(s) was needed. A committee of Sara, Maryjo, Abbie and Nancy was formed to address the overall scope of a mural program. A committee meeting will be held in the coming week to determine recommendations for the VAC to consider at the June meeting.
- F. **Chilson Center Children's Project RFP Review:** This item was tabled until June. The RFP will be similar to that used for the Downtown Mural Project. A mid-summer timeline is desired for this project.
- G. **Appreciation Event:** Due to scheduling conflicts, a new date is needed for this event. Susan will work with the Rialto Theater staff for available mid-week summer dates. Commissioners shared dates they were not available to attend.
- H. **Hung Liu Exhibit:** Staff reported that artist Hung Liu will have an exhibit in the Main Gallery opening on December 9, 2017. The theme of the exhibit is immigration. The AIPP collection has two of Liu's prints, *The Maiden* and *The Martyr*, purchased in 2011. At the time of purchase, the Commission expressed interest in hosting an artist lecture at a future date. Susan inquired whether the Commission would like to pursue a lecture in conjunction with this exhibit, provided the cost was not prohibitive. The Commission was amenable and staff will seek a quote for Hung Liu's services.
- I. **Loveland Start-Up Week:** Abbie provided a recap of Start-Up Week's Artist Track held April 6-8. There was a strong focus upon multimedia arts and technology, marketing, social media, as well as more traditional artist panels including public art. There was interest in expanding the participation for the Visual Arts Commission next year.

Staff Updates

- A. **Art by Bike:** Staff provided a brief update for Art by Bike on June 11th and June 24th. Suzanne and Maryjo will cover the event on June 11th event; Sara and Maryjo will volunteer to assist Kimber on June 24th. Staff will provide a copy of the timeline once it is finalized by the event committee.
 - B. **Solveig Lark Memorial Plaque Dedication:** Approximately 120 invitations have been mailed for this event scheduled for Friday, May 19th at 5:30p.m. Speakers will be Abbie Powers, Victor Issa, John Lark and Nancy Jakobsson. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served.
 - C. **The Foundry:** The budget appropriation for \$150,000 has been allocated into the AIPP fund.
 - D. **Larimer County Building:** Staff reported that the County Commissioners will be in touch with the VAC about public art on this site prior to the end of the year.
 - E. **TAAP 3-D:** The Artist Call for Entry will be released in mid-May. The deadline for submissions is June 9th, 2017. Sculpture installation will take place in early July. Artwork jury information will be forthcoming.
 - F. **Loving the Moment by Kathleen Caricof:** A structural engineer's review of the facility plan is needed to ensure the flooring structure beneath the sculpture will support its weight. After approval, John Dilgarde will move forward with installation.
- Susan added that John is also working with Euleta Palser regarding installation of *Splash of Red* at the Public Library. The work is expected to be completed shortly.
- G. **Mountain Comrades by Dan Ostermiller:** Hoff Construction has submitted permits to CDOT and is waiting for response. Installation will take place once approval is received.

- H. **Casey at Bat by Mark Lundeen:** Construction on the new plinth near the entrance to Barnes Park has been completed. For cost-efficiency, *Casey at Bat* will be installed on the same date as *Mountain Comrades* later this month or in early June.
- I. **Fly Fishing by Daniel Glanz:** Staff shared information regarding the upcoming fundraiser by the Alford Meadows Homeowner's Association on Saturday, May 6th from 10am-3pm.

City Council Update

- City Council approved a \$500,000 grant for the Larimer County Food Bank.
- City Council is reviewing a request by the Downtown Development Authority to change the boundaries for the DDA to exclude residential properties.
- Traffic calming measures requested for Cleveland Avenue around The Foundry development were approved.

Information Sharing

- Greg will host a party at his house on June 10th. Commissioners are encouraged to bring a dish and beverages to share.
- Artworks will host several art and poetry events on Friday, May 5, Friday, 12 and Thursday, May 18.
- The Museum's Valentine Exhibit will re-open on Thursday, May 18.
- Greg reported that International National Sculpture Day workshop went very well. Thirty children attended and created interesting, very creative sculptures. Maryjo acquired wonderful door prizes from Blackjack Pizza and Western Heritage. It was recommended that a proclamation for International Sculpture Day be submitted in 2018.

Adjournment

Citing no further business, Maryjo moved to adjourn. Greg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting length: 1:04

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