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LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION: REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2017 LOVELAND MUSEUM/GALLERY 5:00 PM-REGULAR VAC BUSINESS



The August 3, 2017 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm by Vice Chairwoman Maryjo Morgan. Commissioners present: Bruce Gueswel, Greg Hoff, Maryjo Morgan, Margie Rosborough and Sara Turner. Absent: Nancy Jakobsson, Abbie Powers, Judy O'Gorman and Jade Windell. Also present were staff liaisons Susan Ison and Suzanne Janssen. Citizens present: Christina

Call Meeting to Order

- A. Additions or Corrections to the August 3, 2017 meeting agenda: Addition: VAC Business: Appreciation Event. Staff Update: F. *Fly Fishing* by Daniel Glanz and G. Rotary Proposal
- B. Additions or Corrections to the July 6, 2017 meeting minutes: VAC Business: 1) A spelling correction was noted for Mo' Betta <u>Gumbo</u> 2) Maryjo noted that the mural committee recommendations were not attached to the minutes.
 Sara moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Margie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Budget: Staff reported on small format changes and asked for feedback. Format changes are as follows:
 - a. Line items changes from the prior month are now listed in red
 - **b.** Public art projects related to The Foundry will be listed separate from other AIPP annual projects
 - c. In the future, the overall budget will be on page 1 and art project details will be on pg. 2
- D. Citizen Comments: (Citizens wishing to address the Visual Arts Commission shall be allotted 3 minutes to address VAC business): Christina Gressianu, owner of 426 & 428 Lincoln Avenue building, was interested in information regarding the Mural Program. An overview was provided and she will meet with staff regarding application details.

VAC Business/Action Items

- A. Meeting Attendance: Susan reminded commissioners of the Boards & Commission Handbook indicates that four unexcused absences (any non-health related illness) within a year are cause for removal from the commission.
- B. Hot Metal, Cold Brews Event, Friday, October 13, 5-8pm Bronze Pour: Jennifer Cousino, Curator of History, provided information regarding the second annual Hot Metal, Cold Brews event which has been expanded in 2017. Local breweries will provide beverages as guests wait for iron and bronze pours to take place. (CU Denver will demonstrate a bronze pour; and University of Wyoming may demonstrate an iron pour.) Jennifer will talk with Bruce regarding an additional fire-related activity. Additional volunteers are needed for the event.
- C. Artworks Loveland Mural Presentation by Angela Canada Hopkins and Artist Jennie Milner: Angela and Jennie presented a proposal to paint a mural titled, Art Tools, to the exterior rear of their building. Two phases were proposed; each phase combined to create one large cohesive mural. (Phases 1 & 2 = 1004 sf) Artworks Loveland requested \$5,000 for one of the two proposed phases to be completed in October. Jennie felt that the completion of Phase 1 section was a priority as graffiti within that section of the alley is problematic. The dimensions of this Phase is 45'l x 15'w (527 sf). Jennie discussed adding additional mural elements along the Third Street

elevation to create a visual draw into the alleyway. Painting of the dumpsters was also recommended by commissioners (although it is unknown if this is possible). After much discussion, Bruce motioned to award \$5,000 for Phase I of the project as presented. Greg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The project will painted during the Loveland Artist Studio Tour in October.

- D. Mural Committee Update: Staff will post the Mural Program information on the AIPP webpages for public viewing within the month. In response to staff's inquiry regarding City regulations for murals, the Planning Department requested that historic buildings are vetted through the Historic Preservation Commission and City code restricts artwork that can be construed as business advertising.
- E. Mountain Avenue Roundabout Artwork Jury Selection: One hundred nineteen applications were received for the RFQ. The artwork review committee recommended three finalists, all with experience in large monumental sculpture works: Richard Taylor, James Johnson and Mike Buckley. Images of each artists' past work were reviewed. Greg motioned to accept the three recommended finalists as presented. Margie seconded the motion.

 Additionally, Greg motioned that artist are paid \$750 for the presentations. Maryjo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

 Commissioners reiterated that powder coating is not desired as a finish.
- F. Transformations Committee: Recommended Finalists: Ten submissions were received from 7 different artists. The recommended artwork was shared with the commission. 2017 recommended finalists are: Love Again by Barry Quinton Lee, Flowing River by Rolf Bautista; Robo Gardeners by Werner Schreiber; Where Tulips Come From by Michelle Oglesby; and Flowers and Fireworks by Alexander Block. Greg motioned to accept the artwork jury recommendations as presented. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

 The electrical boxes were to be primed the following week and artists will begin painting soon.
- G. Chilson Recreation Center Project: There is strong interest in the project as over 50 applications have been received, with more than 3 weeks before the deadline. A Doodle poll to be sent to jurors to determine a date for the artwork selection meeting. Finalists are expected to present their proposals at the October 5th regular VAC regular meeting.
- H. Splash of Red by Euleta Palser: Installation is expected to take in August; however, a definitive date has not been determined by the contractor.
- I. Hung Liu Exhibit Lecture: Maureen Corey (Museum Curator) provided an estimate of expenses for the Hung Liu exhibit lecture. There was strong interest in scheduling the lecture near the Opening Reception on December 9th. After much discussion of related expenses, Greg motioned to pay up to \$4,000 for lecture and travel expenses. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- J. Mountain Comrades by Dan Ostermiller Relocation: Greg reported that the sculpture was installed on July 18th. Commissioners commented on the overall presentation

- K. Mighty Casey by Mark Lundeen Relocation: Greg also reported that Might Casey was installed in July. Greg offered to fill the large hole left by the removal of the plinth. Suzanne will follow- up with Parks staff to see if assistance is needed.
- L. Appreciation Event: Due to the success of the Felicia Harmon Appreciation Event, Greg recommended the commission consider hosting an annual event to honor other additional community supporters of the arts. The commission was very interested in pursuing this concept.

Staff Updates

A. TAAP 3D Update: All sculptures have been placed, with the exception of *Kneeling Rock for Standing Rock* by Kimmerjae Marcarus, which will require a lift to place the stonework. This work should be installed by August 10th. Additionally, a new location (in front of Mo' Betta Gumbo) was created for *Hard Rock* by Pati Stajcar.

The commission will host a reception for Transformations and TAAP artists in fall 2017 in the Deveraux Room at the Rialto Theater Center

B. Maintenance Committee:

- **a. Update on 2017 Maintenance:** Sculpture Services of Colorado is currently working on Benson Park sculptures and are expected to be completed by Thursday.
- **b.** Robert Tully Estimate: Special Treatments: Compass Guard Bar and Sealant: Robert is working on the new guard bar and is ordering the sealant. Maintenance likely to be done in fall 2017 as Robert's schedule allows.
- **c.** Red Rocks Divide by Joshua Been, Marianna Butte Clubhouse: No action has been taken on this item. This item tabled until a future meeting.
- C. Art by Bike (Cycling/Art Maps): Suzanne sent an mail to the event organizer expressing AIPP enthusiasm for continued participation the event. She also asked if there was interest in collaborating on Cycling/Art Maps to be available to the public year-round.
- D. The Foundry RFQ: Will work on next week; Set date for review
- **E. AFTA Public Art Review Event: Best of 2016:** Due to the number of commissioners absent, a Doodle poll for open dates will be sent to commissioners.
- F. Fly Fishing by Daniel Glanz: Staff reported that the sculpture, Fly Fishing by Daniel Glanz, would be installed by the artist on Friday, August 4th.
- **G. Rotary Proposal:** The Loveland Rotary club may be interested in donating a sculpture for the Foundry. A meeting will be set with Rotary representatives and City staff. An update will be provided at a future meeting.

City Council Update

Councilwoman Leah Johnson provided updates on the following items:

A study of Broadband will be undertaken by the City.

- Winter Wonderlights was approved by City Council and is seen as an opportunity to promote the community.
- Squirrel feeding concerns have been addressed by City Council.

Information Sharing

A. Susan invited the VAC to participate in a tour of the press at the Reporter-Herald at a future date. Details TBA.