

**CITY OF LOVELAND  
VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION MEETING  
Loveland Museum/Gallery Upstairs Conference Room  
September 9, 2010, 5:00 p.m.**

The September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Visual Arts Commission was officially called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairwoman Susan White. Commissioners present: Roger Clark, Josh Emrich, Nancy Jakobsson, Lynn Kincanon, Sherry Heckel Kuhlmann, Carol Sarchet, Andrew Svedlow and Susan White. Staff liaisons Susan Ison and Suzanne Janssen were also present.

**Additions or corrections to the agenda:** *Addition: Action Items:* Commission vacancy *Staff Reports:*

**Additions or corrections to the August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 minutes:** Roger motioned to accept the minutes be approved as written. Sherri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Citizen Comments:** None.

**Staff Reports**

**Loveland Museum/Gallery Sculpture Garden:** Doug Erion was not present at this meeting. The item was not discussed and was tabled.

**Administrative Regulation:** AIPP Early Integration: The final administrative regulation has been formally adopted. A copy will be emailed to commissioners.

**Blair Muhlestein Request:** Blair Muhlestein requested that the plinth in front of his gallery be made available for the rotation of artwork contained within his gallery. Suzanne explained the process by which artwork is chosen for public display; however, Mr. Muhlestein would like the VAC to consider his request. There was discussion as to whether or not the plinth could be used as part of the TAAP program.

**Transformations Project:** Update on cabinets: Kim Stenson has agreed to pull his dollar bill design down into the bottom "apron" of the box thereby completing the two bills on the front side. All other boxes are complete. Dedication: Commissioners were reminded of the dedication planned for Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Only four commissioners are expected to be in attendance. Subcommittee Meeting: The subcommittee will plan to meet in late fall to choose the 2011 cabinets. The subcommittee will be Roger Clark, Lynn Kincanon and Josh Emrich.

**Loveland Public Library Artwork Update:** Suzanne attended a meeting with the artists and Library representatives to discuss the design concepts in more detail. At that meeting, several representatives expressed that they would like the stairwell mobile to extend to the main floor of the Library. Suzanne and Ted Schmidt had both expressed concerns over the liability and easy public access to the artwork. Additionally, Suzanne stated that ADA regulations would likely prevent such an installation. She noted that the artists were still seeking bids for the LED lighting. Alyson Kinkade reported that after Suzanne left the meeting, those present went to the Columbine Gallery to view the marble sculpture presented. She was asked for estimates on using black granite as opposed to white marble for the outdoor sculpture. It was anticipated that the artists will be present at the October 14<sup>th</sup> VAC meeting with a final presentation.

**Highway 287 Underpass Artwork Update:** The test pour was done on the styrofoam form liner revealed that the Styrofoam is not properly releasing from the concrete. There is much discussion between the contractor and

artist Mary Lucking regarding the best product to use as the present release agent does not allow for a clean release. The overall project is running slightly ahead of schedule, which has resulted in unexpected shipping costs. It is anticipated that those increased costs will not be paid from the AIPP budget.

**Rialto Bridge Project Update:** David Griggs has begun working with the design team and will make recommendations for public art placement soon.

**Maintenance Update:** Chris Malloy: Malloy Patina Studio: It was reported that Chris Malloy has moved to New York state and will be unable to complete the maintenance as contracted for 2010. Suzanne bid the work with two other vendors and has awarded the bid to Bronze Services.

**2010 Special Treatments/LHPAC:** Citing Patrick Kipper's condition reports, Suzanne sought treatment preferences from the commission for *Stock Market* by Philippe Guillermin: Pat had presented two options for repairing the patina, which appears to be deteriorating due to improper neutralization of chemicals during the patina process. After discussion with Mac Juneau earlier in the week, it was recommended by LHPAC that the commission initially repair the patina using acrylic paint and closely observe the artwork over time. If the piece continues to show degradation, the artwork could be removed from the site and repatinaed in a conservator's studio. The commission agreed that this was a reasonable option; however, Suzanne will confer with the artists on this matter, as well.

**Sculpture in the Dark Update:** Suzanne updated the commission on the Engaging Loveland special event, Sculpture in the Dark, which will be held the second weekend in December. Activities will include a parade and artist displays/sales using the Bonnell Building and the Cherry Blossom site. Additionally, a snow carving competition will be held Wednesday, Dec 8th - December 11<sup>th</sup>. Suzanne asked if commissioners wanted to assist Museum/Gallery staff with stomping snow into 8' x 8' x 6' wooden forms (that will become the snow blocks to be carved). Roger Clark (and possibly Carol Sarchet) offered to assist. More information will be shared once known.

### Action Items

**Chilson Recreation Center Expansion Artwork:** Finalist presentations were given in the following order: Airworks Studio: George Peters and Melanie Walker; Conundrum Designs: Scott Reuman, and Virginia Folkestad Sculptor, LLC: Virginia Folkestad. All three finalist groups presented their body of work, approach to public art and discussed their approach to the Chilson Recreation Center project. Feedback was sought from Keven Aggers and Katie Davis, representatives of the Recreation division. After discussion, a vote was taken and Airworks Studio (George Peters and Melanie Walker) was awarded the contract.

### City Council Liaison Report

No representatives from City Council present due to prior City commitments.

### Information Sharing

Recent news and magazine articles were distributed.

Josh Emrich shared that he and his wife are expecting a baby in January 2011.

**Adjournment:** Lynn motioned to adjourn. Nancy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Length:** 2:45