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For Approval

**LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION: REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017
LOVELAND MUSEUM CONFERENCE ROOM
5:00 PM-REGULAR VAC BUSINESS**

The October 5, 2017 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairwoman Abbie Powers. Commissioners present: Bruce Gueswel, Greg Hoff, Nancy Jakobsson, Maryjo Morgan, Abbie Powers, Judy O’Gorman, Margie Rosborough and Sara Turner. Also present were City Councilwoman Leah Johnson and staff liaison Suzanne Janssen. Citizens present: N/A

Additions or corrections to the October 5, 2017 meeting agenda: Additions: None

Additions or corrections to the September 7, 2017 meeting minutes: Nancy motioned to accept the minutes as written. Judy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments: There were no additional residents wishing to make comments.

AIPP Budget: The budget was reviewed. Staff noted that additional funds had been transferred into the maintenance line item to cover 2017 expenses. Abbie inquired about encumbering 2018 funds into a separate account for a long-term maintenance endowment. Encumbrances can occur after AIPP contributions from capital projects are allocated for 2018.

VAC Business/Action Items

- A. **First Street Bridge:** In September, City Engineer Shawn Fetzer met with artist Sandi Nelsen and Suzanne to discuss the bridge design specifications for incorporating the mosaic panels of *Nebula* into the bridge’s infrastructure. Sandi shared photographic illustrations of the fifteen-foot sections (comprised of six 2 ½ foot panels) within the intended placement, noting that slight modifications may be needed. The mosaic panels will be installed 8-12” above ground level to mitigate damage from vehicles, weather, etc. Sandi described the use of the Wedi Board panel backing.
- B. **AIPP Brochure Design Update:** The stock of current AIPP brochure is depleted and a reprint is necessary. Prior to reprinting the brochures, the brochure will be updated with new acquisitions and an overall “refresh” of the design. Brochures were distributed to commissioners for feedback (by October 12th).
- C. **AIPP Webpages:** A webpage focusing upon the new mural program is being designed by Michelle Standiford, Museum Graphic Designer. The page will include basic program information for building owners and showcase Loveland murals funded (partially or entirely) through the Art in Public Places Program. A rack card is also being designed to promote the program.
- D. **Facebook Postings:** Staff recommended expanding AIPP Facebook postings through a core group of commissioners and staff coordinating weekly postings of AIPP activities. The intention would be to highlight AIPP projects, events, maintenance and processes. Judy, Maryjo, Abbie, Sara and Margie volunteered to serve as a committee; however, all commissioners may participate in the process. Facebook (and other social media) postings will be an ongoing agenda item on future agendas. Staff will post the actual Facebook updates utilizing City posting standards.
- E. **The Foundry RFQ:** The Foundry RFQ will be posted on CAFÉ once updated building elevations are received from Brinkman. The proposed timeline for The Foundry project is as follows:

All artist applications must be submitted:	Friday, November 3, 2017
Application Jury Review	November 3 through December 14, 2017
AIPP Round One Voting	Noon on December 8, 2017
Finalists notified by City staff:	Friday, December 22, 2017

Presentation of Finalists Proposal Thursday, February 8, 2018

Artist(s) enter into a City contract: February 2018

Jury: Three Loveland residents are desired for the jury process. This jury will require a significant time commitment due to the number of anticipated applications.

- F. **Mark Leichliter Bike Rack Design:** The commission reviewed the initial design concepts for the bike rack requested for the Service Center. Pricing information was shared for multiple racks. Greg motioned to commission 5 bike racks for \$4,500 (provided there were no objections to the design). Three of the racks for the Service Center and two racks for other locations (TBD) within the City. Nancy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff Updates

- A. **Splash of Red by Euleta Palser:** The mosaic dedication is scheduled for Sunday, October 15 at 2pm in the Public Library's Gertrude Scott Room. Invitations have been sent and a brochure is being designed for the event. Abbie will provide the Welcome for the event and introduce Euleta Palser.
- B. **Chilson Recreation Center Artwork Project:** All three finalists are currently under contract. Mark Guglielmo is expected to present in person; Jared Bader and Paul LaJeunesse will present their proposals through Skype. Kimber will assist with the technical aspects of that meeting. The meeting will be held in the Rialto Theater Center's Devereaux Room on November 9th at 5pm.
- C. **Can Can by Jane DeDecker:** The bronze relief, *Can Can* by Jane DeDecker, was purchased and delivered to the Museum. Recreation Facility Manager Ashlee Taylor was enthusiastic about installing the work in the Chilson Recreation Center lobby. Commissioners viewed *Can Can* set against the blue exhibit wall of the Museum's Main Gallery. It was reported that John Dilgarde will paint a section of the Recreation Center wall to mimic a similar installation. Additionally, John will provide a more secure mounting system for the artwork.
- D. **Art Tools by Jennie Milner:** Jennie Milner will begin the painting process for *Art Tools* during the October 6th Night on the Town. The mural is expected to be completed by the end of the Loveland Art Studio Tours (Sunday, October 22). The artist is coordinating children and adult groups to assist with the painting of *Art Tools*.
- E. **Maintenance:** Staff met with Sculpture Services of Colorado to review 2017 processes and maintenance feedback. The collection was described as being "in very good shape". All hot and cold wax treatments have been completed. Sculpture Services reported they have streamlined the maintenance process to create greater efficiency, ease operations and provide services at an affordable rate.
Staff will meet with Pat Kipper in mid-October to discuss special treatments and 2017 processes. Amans Painting recently signed the contract for the painted works.
- F. **Art by Bike (Cycling/Art Maps):** The Public Works Department expressed interest in collaborating on the 2018 Art by Bike event. There is also interest in partnering for the creation of art/cycling maps for Loveland.

City Council Update

- City Council approved a contract to hire consultant (former Deputy City Manager in Ft. Collins) Diane Jones to evaluate interest in a sales tax increase for larger City capital infrastructure projects. If approved by voters, the .05% sales tax increase would sunset in 10 years.
- Downtown Police patrols (on foot and by bicycle) have been well-received and have had a positive impact on downtown. Five additional officers (3 foot patrols and two new Police officers for The Foundry development) were approved through the supplemental budget process.
- The first reading of the 2018 City Budget was approved.

- Changes to the affordable housing code are being reviewed to determine how the City can best offer housing incentives for workforce housing units through developer partnerships.
- A redevelopment project for the County Building at Sixth Street and Cleveland Avenue was recently approved by City Council.
- There was much discussion regarding the TABOR Act and the City's projection of funds.

Information Sharing

- Two editions of *Sculpture* magazine were distributed to the commission.
- A Poker Run (fundraiser) for Alternatives to Violence will be held on Saturday, October 7 at 8:30a.m.
- Robert Tully's sculpture *Compass* was featured on the cover of the 2017 *The Best of Loveland* publication.
- Suzanne announced her work schedule may be modified in the coming weeks due to health challenges.
- Holiday Party: The commission would like the gathering scheduled in late December (week between Christmas & New Year) or after the New Year. Staff will contact local restaurants regarding room availability.
- The City is hosting tours of The Foundry development. Commissioners expressed interest in touring the site after the New Year.

Adjournment

Nancy moved to adjourn at 6:07pm. Maryjo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (Commissioners went downstairs to view *Can Can* by Jane DeDecker prior to departure.)

Meeting length: 1:15pm

