

**CITY OF LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2018 5:00 PM  
LOVELAND MUSEUM, 503 N. LINCOLN AVENUE, LOVELAND**

The December 6, 2018 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:01pm by Chairwoman Abbie Powers. Commissioners present: Greg Hoff, Maryjo Morgan, Abbie Powers, Margie Rosborough, Sara Turner and Jade Windell. Absent: Angela Brill, Blas Estrada, Bruce Gueswel, VAC alternate Phyllis Moore. Councilwoman Kathi Wright and staff liaisons Susan Ison and Suzanne Janssen were also present.

- A. Attendance:** Reflected above.
- B. Additions or Corrections to the December 6, 2018 Meeting Agenda:** Addition: Item I. 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project
- C. Additions or Corrections to the November 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes:** Sara moved to accept the minutes as written. Greg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Citizen Comments:** There were no members of the public present to comment on VAC business.
- E. AIPP Budget:** The December 2018 AIPP budget was distributed and reviewed. Only minor changes had been made to the budget since the 11/14/18 meeting.

**VAC Business/Action Items**

- A. Downtown Event Power Cabinet:** Mark Leichter was present to address two concerns expressed in the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.  
Materials Discussion: Mark indicated that reversing the stainless steel (foreground) and the mild steel (background) would cause issues with reflection and visibility. Mark provided images of the stainless steel against a dark background vs. a white background, illustrating the difference in the materials' "readability." After some discussion, commissioners expressed their preference for the stainless steel to remain as the foreground material, with treated mild steel to remain as the background material.  
Revised Design Concept: Images of the two drawings (showing a revised horizon) were shared with the commission. The project committee members expressed preference for the drawing with the straight horizontal line. After a short discussion, Sara moved to accept the drawing with a straight horizontal line, and the foreground as stainless steel (with a background as treated mild steel). Greg seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.  
There is interest in having the insulator cast and installed on the event power cabinet. Mark suggested having the form turned on a lathe and cast at a local foundry. Greg offered to create the insulator mold on his lathe, provided a sample insulator was available. Staff will work with Greg on this aspect of the project. An update will be provided.
- B. Viestenz-Smith Mountain Park Memorial:** There were 52 applications received for this project. The artwork selection jury was comprised of five VAC members, a Loveland artist/resident, a

will seek an estimate on installing the artwork in the City Manager's hallway within the Civic Center, with the intended site to be at the Loveland Museum expansion site when built.

- G. *Trigon* by Mary Bates:** Staff reported that the lighting ballasts for *Trigon* are no longer functioning and need to be replaced. Dickenson Electric recommended new LED fixtures, which will be more energy-efficient and result in less long-term maintenance expenses. The replacement fixtures will cost \$3,200 plus installation. (The total cost is roughly \$5,000.00). Maryjo moved to accept Dickenson Electric's suggestions for replacing the ballasts with the recommended LED fixtures. Margie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- H. *Wings* by Joe Norman:** Species Plaque: Artist Joe Norman provided images of the newly cast species plaques which will be patinaed and installed in the coming month.  
Lighting: Joe has programmed the lighting on N. Taft Avenue Bridge with holiday colors. The lighting provides general lighting and does not specifically illuminate each wing. Joe recommended additional lighting if the VAC considers this an issue. Commissioners will visit the site to determine their interest in adding additional lighting. (Estimated cost = \$10,000)
- I. 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project:** Shawn Fetzer will provide an update on the two phases of this project at the February 7 VAC meeting. Since the bridge is still in the design phase, Shawn believes there is opportunity to add recessed elements (or similar modifications) to better accommodate artwork. After discussion, the commission decided to have the entire commission involved in the artwork selection process for this project.

#### **Staff Updates**

- A. Police Regional Training Institute:** Artwork Selection Jury: There were 119 artists' applications received for this collaborative project with the City of Fort Collins. The artwork selection panel will be comprised of the Loveland VAC, the Fort Collins Public Art Board and members of the Project Design Team. The proposed timeframe will be for two rounds of voting (done at home) to be completed by January 22, 2019. The voting scale will be numerical scale of 1-7.  
Timeline: The selected artist will work directly with the Project Design Team to develop design concepts that will be presented to both cities' public art boards in the spring. (Exact date TBA.)
- B. Housing Authority Sculpture 2019:** AIPP staff met with the Loveland Housing Authority (LHA) regarding the commissioning of a bronze sculpture in honor of Sam Betters' four decades of public service. The initial meeting outlined the artwork acquisition process and staff will continue to work closely with the LHA throughout the project. After further discussion with the agency and Mr. Betters, it was determined that the artwork should be created by a Loveland artist and represent the mission of the Loveland Housing Authority. It was noted that this acquisition will not be an AIPP project and the LHA will retain all ownership and maintenance responsibilities for this artwork. Staff will develop an artist Request for Proposals in January 2019.
- C. Maintenance Endowments:** Staff will provide an update in January.

**Meeting length:** 1:05

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