

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ART
Meeting Minutes – November 8, 2016 at 5:30 pm
Courtyard Conference Room

Committee Members:

Dennis Dreher (Co-Chair) - absent
Dennis Hatch (Co-Chair)
Jill Smith - absent
Al Devine - absent
Cynthia Charat
Cal Kenney
Bee Bantug
Julie Imhof - absent
Joseph Scheinberg

City/Staff/Council Liaisons:

Susan Seereiter (City Business Advocate)

Guests:

1. Review/Approval of Minutes (October 11, 2016 Meeting)

Committee Member Kenney moved and Committee Member Bantug seconded the motion to approve the minutes from October 11, 2016 as presented. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Committee Members Hatch, Kenney, and Bantug. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: Charat and Sheinberg. Absent: Dreher, Smith, Devine, and Imhof. The motion passed.

2. Comments: Chairs, Council Liaison and Staff Liaison

- Joseph introduced himself and informed the committee on some of his background.
- Dennis H gave an overview of CoPA’s upcoming plans and philosophy.
- Dennis shared that the City Council appears happy with the work that CoPA is doing.

3. Review Public Art Funding Guidelines

- Dennis and Bee explained what the guidelines are and why they were needed.
- The committee had a discussion on the wording on having no more than two call to artists a year. Susan clarified that this came from the Council level. This is a limitation on announcements to artists that there is funding available twice per year; this does not limit CoPA to only recommending two art pieces.
- This only pertains to pieces that will receive funding from the City for non-city owned art.

Committee Member Kenney moved and Committee Member Bantug seconded the motion to recommend the modified community art funding guidelines to be approved by the City Council. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Committee Members Hatch, Kenney, Bantug, and Sheinberg. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: Charat. Absent: Dreher, Smith, Devine, and Imhof. The motion passed.

- 4. Discussion – Sim Simpson Sculpture in Council Chambers**
 - This will need to be discussed at another meeting after Diane Shelton can be reached.
- 5. Report on Council Presentation – Osprey Lot Sculpture**
 - The City Council decided to go with fiberglass submission. It was discussed that bronze was an option, but the Council decided to move forward with the fiberglass due to cost. This will not set a precedent for future sculptures in the City.
- 6. Americans for the Arts**
 - a. Renew by Dec 31st - \$75**
 - The committee discussed if they want to renew the Americans for the Arts subscription. They decided not to.
 - b. Need new contact person**
 - Not Renewing.
- 7. Subcommittee updates**
 - a. Inventory/Catalog**
 - Dennis H discussed the need to set up a date for inventory training with Bee and Julie.
 - This is going to be a two year project.
 - b. 5th and H Development**
 - Not Discussed.
 - c. Guidelines**
 - Discussed earlier in the meeting
 - d. Owl Mural Plaque**
 - Not Discussed.
- 8. Other CoPA Business**
 - a. Election of officers**
 - The committee had a discussion on waiting to complete this item until next month when more members are present.
 - The committee had a discussion on which members are staying on the committee and how they will be staggering the terms to keep it from having everyone come due at the same time.
 - Cynthia nominated Dennis Hatch as Chair for CoPA. The committee will make a motion and discuss in further depth when more members are available at the December meeting.
 - b. Art in Motion – deadline 21 Nov.**
 - Cynthia explained the concept of Art in Motion to the committee.

- Three pieces of art are chosen for each cycle.
- The committee will discuss the submissions and choose the art on the December 5th meeting.
- The application can be found at City Hall.

c. CoPA Goals for 2017

- Goals have to be in by the end of the month so they must be discussed this meeting.
- The committee had a discussion on the goals from last year and which ones will be a two year project and which ones they would like to continue.
- The committee has a discussion on needing to be careful to avoid a serial meeting.
- The current goals are to continue Art in Motion, finish the arts inventory, refine the process for public art funding, 5th and H St, finding funding opportunities for public art, increase CoPA involvement in performance arts, and to select art for the Salmon lot at 5th and I Street. Dennis H would like to run the goals by Dennis D and will email Susan the final goals before the end of the month.
- The committee had a discussion on what name they would like the 5th and H lot project to be named. Ideas were thrown out and analyzed.
- The committee decided on a “Downtown Arts District.”

Next Meeting: December 5, 2016 5:30PM Courtyard Conference Room

These minutes were prepared by Carlie Appling, Administration Department, City of Grants Pass.