



Public Art Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

City Hall, Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue | Winter Park, Florida

Present

Charles Hamilton, Elizabeth Ingram, Laurie Havel, Lisa “Tinker” Marsh, and Sara Segal; Board Coordinator Tatia Ghviniashvili.

Absent

Danny Humphress.

Staff Present

Assistant Director of Communications Craig O’Neil.

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. Vice chair Hamilton arrived at 12:06 p.m.

City Clerk Rene Cranis gave a brief update on transfer of administrative board support to the City Clerk’s Office and introduced Board Coordinator Tatia Ghviniashvili.

2) Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of the regular meeting minutes of October 17, 2022.

Motion made by Sara Segal to approve the minutes as they stand; seconded by Laurie Havel. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

3) Public Comments (for items not on the agenda):

There were no public comments.

4) Action Items

- a. Board member assigned to volunteer on MLK, Jr. Park RFP Selection Committee as board liaison to MLK, Jr. Park memorial corner project featuring a depiction of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Craig O’Neil shared a request on behalf of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for one member of the board to volunteer as a liaison for a selection

committee for the MLK, Jr. Park Memorial Corner Project. This will require a commitment in January/February of 2023 to two selection meetings, and an additional meeting to review submitted proposals. Exact dates and times will be provided by CRA liaison Kyle Dudgeon in the upcoming future.

The floor opened for discussion and the board asked questions. At the request of Mr. Hamilton, staff will reach out to Mr. Dudgeon for clarification on the process of scouting artists/art for the project.

Ms. Ingram volunteered for the selection committee.

Motion made by Charles Hamilton to nominate Elizabeth Ingram for the selection committee; seconded by Sara Segal. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

- b. Each board member to be assigned six Best of Show pieces.

Mr. O'Neil gave a brief update on the Best of Show pieces from the Sidewalk Art Festival.

An informative online brochure will be created by staff about each piece. Mr. O'Neil suggested the board participate in writing a short descriptive paragraph about the piece and its artist to be include in the brochure. He recommends each board member be assigned six pieces to write about.

The floor opened for discussion and the board asked questions about the appropriate format for writing the paragraphs. Mr. O'Neil will provide a template as reference.

The board agreed to participate in the project.

5) Non-Action Items

6) Staff Updates

- a. Eatonville Chamber of Commerce Event was a great success as shown in PowerPoint.

Mr. O'Neil presented on the successful event at the Eatonville Chamber of Commerce on October 15, 2022. This was an outreach initiative in partnership with the Eatonville Chamber of Commerce and the Winter Park Arts & Culture Alliance. Activities included painting tables and raised beds in the outdoor nook of the commerce. Families were encouraged to attend with children's activities such as The Kindness Rocks Project and the Little Free Library. Community members,

teachers from the Crealdé School of Art, Mayor Phil Anderson, and President of Eatonville Chamber of Commerce LaVonda Wilder, were just a few of the attendees.

Due to its success, staff will work to make this an annual event.

- b. Donation from Pizzuti was presented at City Commission meeting on November 9.

Mr. O'Neil shared a brief update on the art donation made by The Pizzuti Companies following their completion of the Library & Event Center project. The donation, an art piece by late artist Aminah Robinson, *When They Took The Drums Away*, was presented to the City Commission by Jim Russell, Executive Vice President of Public/Private Partnerships at Pizzuti. The piece will be permanently displayed near the children's section of the new Library & Events Center.

Ms. Segal shared remarks on the donation and the Pizzuti Company's commitment to acquiring artwork and donating it to their completed projects. She suggested the board work towards building a dedicated funding source for public art. The board continued with a brief discussion on art budgets and allocation of funds for various projects.

A concern by the board was raised over an art piece that seemed to be removed from the Progress Point Park Project budget, and Mr. O'Neil agreed to follow up with Director of Parks and Recreation Jason Seeley to clarify.

- c. 2022 Best of Show by David Figueroa has been installed in City Hall lobby where it will stay until new Best of Show is selected for 2023 Festival next March.

A brief update was given on the 2022 Best of Show piece by David Figueroa. The sculpture has officially been relocated to the City Hall lobby for public display.

The board asked whether the city employs a grants specialist to apply for public art grants. Mr. O'Neil explained that the city does not apply to any public art related grants, however, board members can apply on behalf of the city. Amended on January 09, 2023.

- d. Florida Association of Public Art Professionals (FAPAP) annual conference is in Orlando, May 9-11, 2023.

Mr. O'Neil will work to host the FAPAP for a reception at the new Library & Events Center on behalf of the Public Art Advisory Board and the city while the group is in Orlando for a conference.

e. No meeting in December. Happy Holidays!

January 16, 2023 meeting will be rescheduled by Ms. Ghviniashvili. She will coordinate with the board and schedule a new meeting date for the month of January.

7) Board Comments

The board iterated the importance of members attending City Commission meetings and speaking up about the lack of funding for public art.

8) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

9) Upcoming Agenda Items

Discussion of a public art budget/funding request for future presentation to City Commission.

Minutes approved by the board on January 09, 2023.

/s/ Tatia Ghviniashvili, Board Coordinator