

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**OF THE**

**ARTS ADVISORY BOARD**

**April 12, 2021**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS §**  
**§**  
**COUNTY OF DENTON §**

**Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present**

**(Agenda Item 1)**

Chairman Traci Gardner-Petteway called a quorum at 5:34 p.m. Attendees were Board members Traci Gardner-Petteway, Sarah Hicks, Mary Hampton, Gene Smith, Brent Daniels, Amanda Drinkwater, Tanya Gandy, Nicole Franczvai and Eric Bowman. Also in attendance were Arts Center Manager Denise Helbing, and MCL Grand Administrative Assistant Konni Cooper.

**Review and Approve Minutes of the March 2, 2021 Meeting**

**(Agenda Item 2)**

Board members reviewed the minutes of the March 2, 2021 Arts Advisory Board meeting.

**MOTION:** Mary Hampton made the motion to accept the minutes from the March 2, 2021 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Amanda Drinkwater and carried unanimously.

**Review Artist Microgrant Application-  
Maithen Elizabeth, River Table Honoring  
Veterans**

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**(Agenda Item 3)**

The artist Maithen Elizabeth shared her vision for her project honoring veterans and answered questions from the board.

**MOTION:** Amanda Drinkwater made a motion to grant an artist microgrant to Maithen Elizabeth. Eric Bowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Review Submitted Applications and Design  
Proposals for Decorative Crosswalk, Select  
Finalist Artist to Invite to Do the Installation.  
If No Designs are Deemed Appropriate for the  
Project, Give Staff Direction to Inquire Back  
to Select Artists About Modifications to Their  
Designs for Later Review and Approval.**

**(Agenda Item 4)**

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Following discussion, the board ranked the top three designs and selected the top artist to create the crosswalk public art piece. Other artists could be chosen in the future, should other crosswalks become available.

**MOTION:** Eric Bowman moved to select Brenda Gibbons' piece *Poppy and Bluebonnets*, pending approval of the streets department. The motion was seconded by Gene Smith and carried unanimously.

**Initial Discussion of Public Art Plan for FY22-Ask  
Board Members to Submit Ideas to Staff for Further  
Research**

**(Agenda Item 5)**

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Board members discussed ideas for next fiscal year public art projects, including mural projects, utility boxes, and more crosswalks. Board members have two weeks to submit further ideas to Denise Helbing for board consideration.

**Select Additional Meeting Dates for Chin Community Artist Finalist Presentations and Art Support Grant Timeline and Meetings for Summer 2021. Establish Committee to Work on An Updates Required.**

**(Agenda Item 6)**

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Per board vote, the next Arts Advisory Board meeting will be held via Zoom. Various dates for the finalist presentations and the next regular board meeting were discussed.

**MOTION:** Sarah Hicks made the motion to ask the three finalists to submit one or two proposals to Denise no later than May 11. The board would then meet and discuss with the artists on May 18 and reschedule the previously scheduled Arts Advisory Board meeting to May 25. The motion was seconded by Tanya Gandy and passed unanimously.

The board also discussed summer meetings, in light of necessary deadlines for art support grant applicants.

**MOTION:** Sarah Hicks moved that the board meet on August 14, from nine to one. Tanya Gandy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Staff Report-Programming, Public Art, Other Updates**

**(Agenda Item 7)**

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Arts Center Manger Denise Helbing went over the public art updates for the board. (See attached)

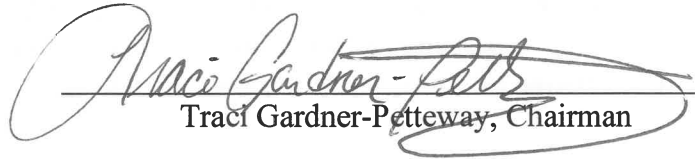
**Adjournment**

**(Agenda Item 8)**

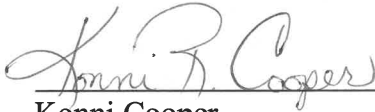
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**MOTION:** Eric Bowman made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mary Hampton. The board adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
Traci Gardner-Petteway, Chairman

**PREPARED BY:**



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