

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF THE

ARTS ADVISORY BOARD

May 25, 2021

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COUNTY OF DENTON §

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

(Agenda Item 1)

Vice-Chairperson Sarah Hicks called a quorum at 5:32 p.m. Attendees were Board members Sarah Hicks, Mary Hampton, Tanya Gandy, Gene Smith, Brent Daniels, Amanda Drinkwater, Nicole Franczvai, and Eric Bowman. Also in attendance were Arts Center Manager Denise Helbing, and Administrative Assistant Konni Cooper. (Chairwoman Traci Petteway was unable to attend the meeting due to a family health emergency.)

Review and Approve Minutes of the May 18, 2021 Meeting

(Agenda Item 2)

Board members reviewed the minutes of the May 18, 2021 Arts Advisory Board meeting.

MOTION: Eric Bowman made the motion to accept the minutes from the May 18, 2021 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Amanda Drinkwater and carried unanimously.

**Discussion of Public Art Plan for FY22-
Finalize Projects to Include in Budget Memo
to Council**

(Agenda Item 3)

The board discussed the various public art proposals that had been submitted, including two submitted by board member Nicole Franczvai. See attached documents.

MOTION: Eric Bowman moved that the board accept the crosswalk, traffic boxes, Avian Invasion, and We Are Lewisville (which may require other funding sources, as well) for inclusion in the FY Public Art workplan and budget request. The motion also postponed the 2-D metal cutout project, originally approved and funded in FY21 until a more suitable location was selected, such as the Corporate Drive extension project, and more funds will need to be requested in a future budget year to complete the project properly. Amanda Drinkwater seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Update About Utility Wrap Projects Including
Artist Call for Multi-Unit Public Art Project
and Student (Donation) Project.**

(Agenda Item 4)

Denise Helbing updated the board regarding the artist call for traffic box wraps. Currently the call is for artists of any age that live in, attend school in, or work in Lewisville and Castle Hills. If there are not enough applicants, the call can be expanded later to include non-residents. The call will go out in mid-June and remain open for one month.

The private donation funded “LHS themed” box wrap project for one specific box at Main St. and Valley Parkway which will only be available for LHS cluster students to submit for will open up near the beginning of next school year.

**Revisit Crosswalk Designs Submitted During First
Call and Select Additional Designs for Additional
Location(s) or as Back-Up. Approve at Least One
Additional Location for Second Decorative Crosswalk.**

(Agenda Item 5)

The board reviewed the crosswalk designs that were originally submitted for the first crosswalk location and chose two designs to be modified for consideration for a second crosswalk location. The board chose to ask Jen Gasiraro to simplify her Artisan Floral design, and to ask Peri Berman to adapt her design to a longer, thinner strip, and limit the vivid blue background. The board also plans to include Brenda Gribbin's Sunrise/Sunset design for consideration for the second location. The Board asked staff to contact these artists and ask for these updated designs to review at the June 14 meeting.

Update on Grant Application Cycle Details:

A. Estimated Funding Level

B. Cycle Meeting Schedule, Including Training and Presentations-Reconfirm Availability of the Board for August 14, 9 A.M. – 1 P.M.

C. Application Details for This Cycle

(Agenda Item 6)

See attached. Due to lower HOT funds during the covid pandemic, the available funding for the Art Support Grants for the next fiscal year will be lower than originally anticipated. At this point, it looks like there will be \$100,000 for arts support grants and \$5,000 for artist microgrants. This year, the 2nd 2% reduction on the limit of grant request to award takes effect- applicants may only request up to 46% of any programs total expense budget for Art Support Grant funding. This reduction was from council direction at retreat in 2019 to better diversify the grant awards among groups and encourage fundraising outside City sources.

Staff Report – Programming, Public Art, Other Updates

(Agenda Item 7)

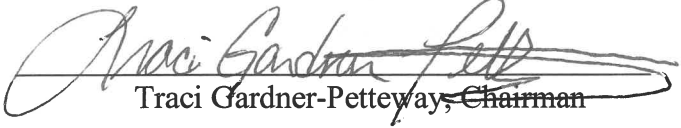
See Attached. Arts Center Manager Denise Helbing went over the staff report and answered questions from the Board.

Adjournment

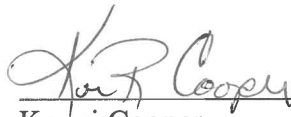
(Agenda Item 8)

MOTION: Amanda Drinkwater made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mary Hampton. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:


Traci Gardner-Pettey, Chairman

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