

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF THE

ARTS ADVISORY BOARD

June 14, 2021

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COUNTY OF DENTON §**

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

(Agenda Item 1)

Chairperson Traci Gardner-Petteway called a quorum at 5:33 p.m. Board members Sarah Hicks, Mary Hampton, Tanya Gandy, Brent Daniels, Nicole Franczvai, and Eric Bowman attended the meeting. Arts Center Manager Denise Helbing and Administrative Assistant Konni Cooper were also present.

Review and Approve Minutes of the May 25, 2021 Meeting

(Agenda Item 2)

Board members reviewed the minutes of the May 25, 2021 Arts Advisory Board meeting.

MOTION: Brent Daniels made the motion to accept the minutes from the May 25, 2021 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Eric Bowman and carried unanimously.

**Staff Update on Approved Public Art Project
Funding from Previous Years-Crosswalks,
Utility Boxes**

(Agenda Item 3)

Denise Helbing updated the Board on the status of the current public art projects.

Crosswalks: \$40,000 is budgeted for crosswalks, which is perfect for five units. Since these are paid for out of a capital improvement account, we don't have to complete the project in one fiscal year.

Utility Boxes: \$6,000 is budgeted, which will limit the project to three to four boxes. We will ask the City Council for enough funds to complete five more utility boxes.

Chin Culture Project: \$100,000 is budgeted for this project. Although only \$90,000 has been used so far, the rest may be necessary for expenditures such as site preparation, plaques, and so forth.

**Review Drafted Public Art Workplan Budget
Memo to Council, Approve Updated
Workplan as Described in Memo**

(Agenda Item 4)

See the attached memo.

The Board reviewed the Public Art memo and made suggested changes. The Board reminded the Council of the importance of hiring a new public Art Coordinator, and indicated that it would pursue the position as early as the 22-23 fiscal year.

The list of recommended projects is shown below.

PUBLIC ART PROJECTs	Estimated COST	SOURCE
Second of six annual payments toward balance owed for Slicker Shy	\$50,000	Public Art CIP
Expand artwork-wrapped traffic signal box series; each will cost about \$1,500 for artists fees and wrap costs. Estimating for expansion by 5 units.	\$8,000	Public Art CIP
"Aviary Invasion" – community contributed sculpture/installation	\$25,000	Public Art CIP
"We are Lewisville" – photography collage display	\$8,000	Public Art CIP
Total funding requests:	\$91,000	Public Art CIP

The Board discussed the problems that might result from the Aviary Invasion project. Members brainstormed ways in which bird feces and other messes could be prevented or alleviated. They suggested that the wording in the memo be changed in order to open the project to areas other than fences

The Board also discussed the feasibility of putting the We Are Lewisville project outside. Weatherproofing the project would add a substantial amount of money to the cost of the project. They also discussed the issues that could result if someone on the wall of photos behaved in such a way as to detract from the purpose of the project (such as being arrested, etc.) The Board suggested that the project could be somewhat smaller in scale, allowing it to be portable. They also suggested a digital version of the project, which could be shown at the Visitor Information Center, before concerts, and so forth. Members of the Board suggested that they should consider what kind of story that they wanted told in this public art project, including people of all races, genders, and ages. The driving force of the project will be to visually highlight a cross-section of the Lewisville community in order to celebrate its rich diversity.

MOTION: Nicole Franczvai made a motion to approve the edits the Board suggested to the Public Arts Memo. The motion was seconded by Sarah Hicks and passed unanimously.

Review Updated Crosswalk Designs from Invited Artists, Select Art/Artist for Fox Avenue and Old Orchard Crosswalk Location

(Agenda Item 5)

Brenda Gribbos is not available to do another crosswalk at this time, so the Board narrowed the choices to Jennifer Gasiraro and Peri Berman. Nicole Franczvai abstained from voting, since she knows Peri Berman. The vote was in favor of Jennifer Gasiraro.

**A. Staff Report-Programming, Pending Public Art
Projects, Grant Training, Other Updates**

(Agenda Item 6)

See attached. Denise went over the report and answered questions. The Veteran's Table project was delivered to the Lewisville Public Library, where it will stay until July 8th. It will then be displayed in City Hall, followed by the Veterans Center.

Denise showed the Board the first plaque that will accompany the Hop Into History project (the Cultivator Rabbit).

Adjournment

(Agenda Item 7)


MOTION: Sarah Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. The motion was seconded by Eric Bowman.

APPROVED:



Traci Gardner-Petteway, Chairman

PREPARED BY:



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