



**CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE ART COMMISSION ■**

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Minutes of the Cherry Hills Village Art Commission  
City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado  
Monday, June 29, 2020  
at City Hall

9:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Co-Chairs Alison Lynch and Dave Schmidt, and Commissioners Gay Warren, Kathie Finger, Shenley Smith and Ann Marie Morrow were present on silent roll call. Also present were Director of Finance Jessica Sager and City Clerk Laura Gillespie.

Commissioner Pamela Hall joined by conference call.

Absent: None

**CALL TO ORDER**

Co-Chair Lynch called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**RECOGNITION OF ANN POLUMBUS AND GAY WARREN**

Co-Chair Schmidt thanked former chair Ann Polumbus for her vision and leadership and stated the CHVAC would not have been created or flourished without her.

Co-Chair Lynch added former chair Polumbus was the original member of the CHVAC nine years ago and had been on City Council in the 1980s. She indicated one of former chair Polumbus's most significant contributions was the acquisition of *Charlo* by Deborah Butterfield. She also recognized Commissioner Warren, whose term would end July 21<sup>st</sup>, for her nine years on the CHVAC and contributions as an artist and with the hanging systems for art in City facilities.

Commissioner Finger stated it had been a joy to work with both members.

Commissioner Warren indicated she was available to help with the hanging system at any time. She thanked former chair Polumbus for her leadership and for making the CHVAC an enjoyable group to be a part of.

Commissioner Hall stated the permanent pieces in the City's collection were a lasting legacy and would be a joy for generations to come. She added this was a marvelous achievement for both members.

The Commission presented gifts and certificates to former chair Polumbus and Commissioner Warren.

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS**

The Commission welcomed new members Shenley Smith and Ann Marie Morrow.

## **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Finger moved, seconded by Co-Chair Schmidt to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

## **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **City Hall Permanent Sculpture**

Co-Chair Schmidt reported Council had been complementary of the CHVAC, the piece and the selection process.

Co-Chair Lynch noted *Gusto* would be installed on July 17<sup>th</sup> and the dedication was delayed until 2021 due to COVID-19. She asked if the Commission wanted to move forward with a video for *Gusto*.

Kendall Peterson, ThereSquared LLC, noted it did not cost a lot of money to create the video and she recommended it for a permanent piece. She suggested a link to the video could be included on the plaque.

Commissioner Finger indicated she was supportive of a video and suggested the Commission discuss the item later in the meeting when they discussed the budget.

Former chair Polumbus advised many people were not familiar with the CHVAC and suggested the video also include a general statement of the CHVAC's goals.

### **John Meade Park Permanent Sculpture**

Commissioner Finger reported the Cherry Hills Land Preserve (CHLP) had cancelled their annual Barn Party because of COVID-19 and therefore had limited funds. She stated the CHLP was focusing on its mission statement of environment and conservation and would not have funds for a permanent sculpture in John Meade Park this year. She explained the CHLP was interested in doing a different project with the CHVAC this year. She noted she had relayed that the CHVAC was low on funds, the CHLP executive director would be sending her a list of possible projects.

Co-Chair Lynch suggested the CHVAC could discuss other project opportunities with the CHLP at the next meeting.

Commissioner Smith noted she had been involved in a successful fundraiser in Denver where people made bird houses.

Commissioner Morrow noted she had experience with bird house art projects.

Commissioner Finger indicated she would explore a bird house project with Commissioners Smith and Morrow and the CHLP, acknowledging that any discussions of public business between three or more members needed to be noticed to the public. She added a permanent sculpture in John Meade Park could be included as part of the 2021 budget discussion and the CHVAC would

have a better idea of the best location for a permanent sculpture after the Park was complete.

### Next Art Show

Co-Chair Lynch reported she had worked with artist Susan Cooper to remove her art show and had worked with artist representative Della Patteson to rehang Duke Beardsley's *High Line Regulars* in the main entryway.

Commissioner Finger reported staff had received two submissions for the next art show, Colorado Through the Lens. She asked if the Commission wanted to move Duke Beardsley's painting again to use the main entryway for the art show or if they preferred to use just the hallway between the front doors and Council Chambers.

Co-Chair Lynch indicated Ms. Patteson did not seem bothered by the piece being moved back and forth.

Commissioner Hall noted when they had first moved *High Line Regulars* into the staff hallway Ms. Patteson had seemed very comfortable with the secondary location and understanding of the plan to move the piece back and forth in between art shows.

Commissioner Finger suggested scheduling the art show for the end of October or beginning of November and that she and Director Sager would pick the pieces. She added she would need help hanging the art.

### Susan Cooper Donation Application

Co-Chair Lynch moved, seconded by Commissioner Warren, to approve the Art Donation Application from Susan Cooper and recommend that City Council approve the Art Donation Agreement with Susan Cooper.

The motion passed unanimously.

Co-Chair Lynch and Commissioner Smith indicated they would attend the City Council meeting.

### Cherry Hills Land Preserve Trail Walk

Co-Chair Lynch reported the CHLP had cancelled the Trail Walk due to COVID-19 and would not have a virtual version.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Liaison Assignments

The Commission determined new liaison assignments.

## **REPORTS**

### **Public Art Commission Chair**

#### Village Crier

Co-Chair Lynch suggested an article about the new members for the September issue.

### Next Meeting

The next Art Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 27, 2020.

**Members of the Public Art Commission**

None

**City Staff**

Financial Report

The Commission discussed changes to the 2020 budget. They asked about additional funds in 2021 for a permanent sculpture in John Meade Park.

Director Sager stated any funds left in the 2020 budget would not roll over to the 2021 budget. She noted while the CHVAC could ask Council for additional funds in 2021 for a permanent sculpture in John Meade Park, it was difficult to predict what state the City's finances would be in with a possible second wave of COVID-19 in the fall. She indicated if the CHVAC could decide by their August meeting what they would request from Council then that amount could be included in the draft budget presented to Council in September. She added CHVAC members could reach out to their Council liaisons about the proposed budget ahead of the Council study session in October.

Commissioner Finger moved, seconded by Co-Chair Schmidt, that Ms. Peterson produce a video for the new permanent piece for City Hall with a budget of \$1,500.

Ms. Peterson clarified the \$1,500 would cover both her time and her videographer's time.

Commissioner Finger replied that was correct.

The motion passed unanimously.

Director Sager reported the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee was considering having various groups at tables during the John Meade Park grand opening/75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event. She indicated she would present additional information at the next CHVAC meeting.

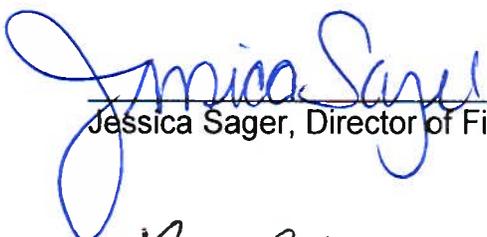
The Commission discussed the possibility of a virtual fundraiser in the fall and agreed to bring ideas to the next meeting.

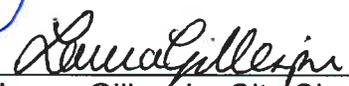
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

  
Commission Co-Chair

Name: Alison K. Lynch

  
Jessica Sager, Director of Finance

  
Laura Gillespie, City Clerk