

**CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE ART COMMISSION ■**

Minutes of the Public Art Commission
City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado
Monday, June 24, 2013
at the Village Center

8:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Commission members in attendance: Ann Polumbus, Gay Warren, Teresa Harbaugh, Doug Smooke, Councilor VanderWerf. Employees present: Karen Proctor, Director of Finance, Pamela Broyles, Administrative Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Polumbus called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION – COLLIN PARSON, CURATOR AT ARVADA CENTER

Collin Parson shared that he is excited about consulting with the Art Commission on future art prospects and decisions. Mr. Parson has been the curator of the Arvada Center for 5 years and was also the exhibition designer for 3 years. Mr. Parson is also an artist and his father is a sculptor who has worked in the Denver community since the seventies. Mr. Parson has also worked with the City of Arvada on their Arts in Public Places program. Mr. Parson received his BFA at CU Boulder and his Masters in Arts Administration from Regis.

The Commission asked Mr. Parson for ideas on how he selects sites for art pieces in Arvada.

Mr. Parson explained that Arvada is a unique situation because RTD has the funding and available sites. He stated that the locations are chosen first and they give the artist the option of a couple sites.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Klasina VanderWerf moved to approve the June 3, 2013 minutes. Ms. Teresa Harbaugh seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation.

OLD BUSINESS**a. Reven Swanson Installation Celebration**

Mr. Smooke will contact Reven Swanson to confirm a date and time for a small reception to be held at his home to celebrate installation of the Flying Cranes. A dedication will be held onsite prior to the reception at Happy Canyon and Quincy Avenue.

b. Duke Beardsley Reception

The Commission agreed to invite Duke Beardsley's children and their classmates from the Cherry Hills Village Elementary School to the dedication and reception of the art pieces being placed in the Joint Public Safety Facility. The Commission discussed the option of Mr. Beardsley bringing some additional art pieces and giving a talk at the event. The Commission agreed to hold the event sometime in September.

c. Discuss Duncan Fundraising Event

The Commission agreed that the Duncan Fundraising event was a huge success. Ms. Polumbus asked Commission members to share some of the comments from their tables during the dinner.

A common question was "What does the Art Commission do" since most guests were not familiar with the Art Commission. Based on the feedback, the Commission agreed that continued PR is important. Another question that came up several times was where are the proposed locations to display art in the Community?

Ms. Polumbus suggested that the Commission send a personal letter with the proposed location map included to the guests and ask for their feedback. She suggested that the Commission narrow the sites to their top 5 or 10 picks.

The Commission agreed that public art is site specific and the site needs to be chosen before the art.

Mr. Smooke stated that he had a conversation with someone at his table who asked if the Art Commission is a 501(c)3, because it was not clear to him that his donation was tax deductible. He said people are reluctant to write a check payable to the City of Cherry Hills Village and they would prefer to donate to a private non-profit organization. Mr. Smooke suggested that the Commission should create the legal terms and have somebody oversee the donations until they are established as a 501(c)3.

Councilor VanderWerf stated that the Commission needs to make sure that Mayor Tisdale and City Council are informed of the Commission's plans. She said she can give a report to City Council on any updates.

Councilor VanderWerf shared that the event was perfect size and very manageable. There were a lot of guests with connections to art. She suggested that the Commission consider ways to also reach the younger generation.

Ms. Polumbus reported that Greg Stevinson bought the sculpture of the beaver from Jesse Horton and agreed to donate it to the Village if they are interested. The Commission agreed to accept the sculpture and talked about possible sites near water that would be appropriate for the sculpture. Woodie Hollow was mentioned as a possible site.

Mr. Smooke suggested that the Commission should develop a game plan for communicating with contacts that were made at the event. He suggested that a person working for the Commission needs to be in charge of development.

Ms. Polumbus recommended holding a study session to determine how to move forward.

Councilor VanderWerf suggested that the Art Commission should also schedule a study session with City Council after they hold their own study session to discuss their ideas about the 501(c)3.

NEW BUSINESS

a. CHVAC Financial Report from Karen Proctor

Ms. Proctor reviewed the Art Commission's balance in the 2013 budget and the fundraising account. She included a breakout of current and future expenditures for the year.

Ms. Polumbus reported that the Mayor is continuing to work on the resolution for the Art Commission.

Ms. Harbaugh mentioned that she met with Ralph Mason in the Public Works Department regarding a possible art project for the schools. The project would allow students to paint the City's snow plows. The Public Works Department would provide the paint.

The Commission agreed it is a great idea and they will contact the art classes at St. Mary, Cherry Hills Village Elementary and Kent Denver. Each school will have a snow plow to paint. The event could include kids and their parents with a celebration when finished.

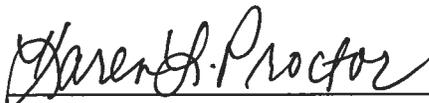
The Commission discussed ways to get ideas from the community on what type of art they would envision at the different sites. The Commission discussed doing a survey in the Village Crier with a map showing the possible locations.

ADJOURNMENT

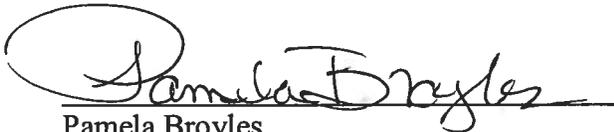
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The next Art Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 29, 2013.



Ann Polumbus
Committee Chairperson



Karen Proctor
Director of Finance



Pamela Broyles
Administrative Clerk

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