



CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE ART COMMISSION ■

Minutes of the Cherry Hills Village Art Commission
City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado
Monday, February 24, 2020
at City Hall

9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Chair Ann Polumbus and Commissioners Alison Lynch, David Schmidt, Kathie Finger and Pamela Hall were present on silent roll call. Also present was Public Works Clerk Pamela Broyles.

Commissioner Gay Warren attended via conference call.

Absent: None.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Polumbus called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Finger moved, seconded by Commissioner Lynch to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Permanent Sculpture for the New City Hall

Chair Polumbus asked staff to research whether the cost of lighting should come from the CHVAC account or a different City account. She indicated an article about Gusto would appear in the April issue of the Crier and be considered by Council for approval at their April 21, 2020 meeting. She asked which Commission members could attend.

Vice Chair Schmidt, Commissioners Lynch and Hall indicated they could attend the April 21st Council meeting.

Special Event Liquor Permits

Chair Polumbus said she was asked by the City Manager to table this topic until the May meeting. She asked the Commission for any comments.

Commissioner Hall noted it appeared the Commission would need a liquor permit for any event at a private residence and that liquor could not be donated by an individual for an event.

The Commission asked staff to clarify if alcohol could be donated from individuals.

Annual Event

Chair Polumbus suggested holding a dedication at a resident's home instead of a fundraising event.

Commissioner Finger expressed concern the Art Donation Account was getting low.

Chair Polumbus suggested donations could be accepted at the dedication. She said the Land Preserve did that when they first started.

Commissioner Finger agreed the High Line Canal Conservancy did that as well. She asked what the timeframe would be for installing *Gusto* and noted the Commission also wanted to install a permanent piece in John Meade Park for the fall.

Chair Polumbus responded if approved by Council in April the piece would probably be installed at City Hall in June with a possible dedication event in July.

Possible Art in John Meade Park/Possible 2020 Sculpture-on-Loan

Commissioner Finger reported she met with Susan Maguire from the Cherry Hills Land Preserve. She explained the Land Preserve had money to contribute for a permanent art piece in John Meade Park, but they wanted the piece to be interactive, natural and realistic. She suggested the Land Preserve might be able to contribute \$20,000 and the Art Commission could contribute \$10,000 if they did not do a sculpture-on-loan this year. She noted the grand opening for John Meade Park was being planned in the fall and the Land Preserve would like the permanent piece installed for the event. She stated she had not heard back from Parks, Trails and Recreation Commission (PTRC) Chair Rob Eber.

Commissioner Lynch volunteered to contact PTRC member Stephanie Dahl.

Chair Polumbus suggested the Commission ask Kendall Peterson to bring ideas for artwork to the next meeting.

Public Works Clerk Broyles noted the grand opening of the Park and the 75th Anniversary events were being planned together for September 26th.

Commissioner Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Finger to ask Ms. Peterson to assist with compiling a list of art that fit the criteria for a piece in John Meade Park, being representational and interactive.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Finger indicated she would contact Susan Maguire to let her know the CHVAC was moving forward with this project.

Next Art Show

Chair Polumbus asked the Commission if they wanted to consider extending the timeline for the Susan Cooper art display at City Hall.

Commissioner Lynch said she would check with Ms. Cooper to see if she was interested. She asked if the Commission had a preference on how to solicit for future art shows.

Commissioner Schmidt suggested placing an ad in the Village Crier with a call for local artists.

Commissioner Warren suggested the next art show could include multiple artists as it was difficult for one artist to fill the space.

Commissioner Finger said she liked the idea of multiple artists and suggested the next show should be a photography art show. She said she knew a curator that might be able to help. She agreed there was no rush to set up the next show.

Commissioner Lynch expressed concern the Commission was missing a whole group of people who were interested in art by only advertising in the Village Crier. She suggested looking into including an article in the Cherry Hills Village Living Magazine.

Commissioner Hall indicated she knew one of the Cherry Hills Living Magazine editors and would reach out to her.

Commissioner Finger added the Cherry Hills Living Magazine needed a two-month lead time for articles.

Commissioner Schmidt suggested having a registration book at City Hall that people sign and make comments on the art being displayed in order to provide the Commission with some new contacts.

The Commission agreed the next art show should be hung the last full week of August so it would be in place in time for the Park grand opening.

Chair Polumbus suggested including photography from high school students.

Commissioner Warren suggested doing an entire show of high school photography.

Commissioner Finger responded she liked the idea but feels that the first show should be open to amateur and professional photographers of all ages.

Chair Polumbus asked who would take the lead on the next art show.

Commissioner Finger indicated she would talk with her contact about being a curator.

Author Event

Commissioner Lynch reported she had reached out to Laura Christman but had not received a response back.

Chair Polumbus suggested the author event be put on hold until next spring when the Commission had more time.

The Commission agreed to postpone the event to next spring.

Lighting for *Really*

Commissioner Hall noted the cost to install lighting was \$500 and indicated she would support the expense if the Commission agreed the location would be used for future sculptures.

Commissioner Finger agreed it was a great location and needed lighting.

Donation Application

Commissioner Lynch reported she informed Susan Cooper that the Commission needed to approve the donation application before accepting an art donation. She indicated Ms. Cooper would like to have input on where the donated piece would be located. Ms. Cooper hoped visitors would be able to see the piece since it was particularly about Cherry Hills Village and City Hall.

Commissioner Schmidt noted the Commission was considering the west wall near the Community Development desk as a possible location for the piece.

Commissioner Lynch indicated she would discuss that possible location with Ms. Cooper and have her complete the donation application.

Commissioner Hall suggested after an application was submitted and the Commission determined they wanted to accept the piece, they could discuss possible locations with the artist and the artist could decide if they still want to donate the piece.

Commissioner Finger moved, seconded by Commissioner Lynch to approve the CHVAC donation application.

The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

None

REPORTS

Public Art Commission Chair

2020 Budget

Commissioner Hall indicated it was her understanding that the Commission was not going to do a sculpture-on-loan piece in 2020 but that it still appeared in the budget. She stated the budget deficit would be helped if the sculpture-on-loan expense were removed. She also asked how much the Commission wanted to contribute to a permanent piece for John Meade Park.

Chair Polumbus noted in the past the Commission had deferred payment until the following year.

Commissioner Finger agreed the Commission had discussed not doing the sculpture-on-loan in 2020 and pointed out the Commission could also save around \$5,000 by not doing an annual event.

Chair Polumbus said the dedication of the permanent sculpture for City Hall would cost the Commission some money. She asked about combining the dedication with the John Meade Park grand opening event and 75th Anniversary event.

Public Works Clerk Broyles noted there was a lot planned for the joint Park and Anniversary event.

The Commission agreed it was better to have their dedication separate but to have the City Hall sculpture installed and the new art show hung prior to the Park/Anniversary event.

Commissioner Finger moved, seconded by Commissioner Lynch that the Commission not have a 2020 sculpture-on-loan piece.

The motion passed unanimously.

Village Crier

Chair Polumbus reported the article soliciting for applications was in the March issue of the Crier and the *Gusto* piece would be featured in the April issue. She encouraged the Commission to invite people to apply to be on the Commission.

Commissioner Finger indicated she would work on an article for the next art show.

Next Meeting

The Commission requested City Clerk Gillespie email some alternate meeting dates for the March meeting.

Members of the Public Art Commission

None

City Staff

Financial Report

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.



Ann Polumbus, Commission Chairperson



Jessica Sager, Director of Finance



Laura Gillespie, City Clerk