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**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
City Hall Board Room, 510 N. Baker Street, Mount Dora, FL 32757
November 28, 2023 at 3:30 PM**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. October 10, 2023 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Presentations
 - A. Introduction of Communications Coordinator, Brittany Haller
- VI. Adjournment
- VII. Action Items
- VIII. Resolutions
- IX. Ordinances
- X. Discussion Items
 - A. Call to Artist Discussion & Suggestion
 - B. Public Arts Commission Member Terms
- XI. City Staff
 - A. Staff Update
- XII. Communications and Reports
 - A. Commission Member John Wesner
 - B. Commission Member Maryann McNamara
 - C. Commission Member Keashawn "Kay" Volmer
 - D. Vice-chair Harlow Middleton

E. Chair Thomas Decker

XIII. Future Meeting Dates

A. January 23, 2024, 3:30 p.m.

NOTICE: Please note that, for purposes of Section 286.011, Florida Statutes, two or more members of the City Council may be present at this meeting, and this meeting may be considered a City Council meeting.

NOTICE: If any person decides to appeal any decisions at this meeting with respect to any matter considered, such person may need a record of these proceedings. For such purpose, a person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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DATE: November 28, 2023

TO: Public Arts Commission Members

FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: October 10, 2023 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Introduction:

This is a request for the Public Arts Commission to approve meeting minutes.

Discussion:

Administrative staff prepare minutes and present them to the Commission as an opportunity to make suggestions or corrections prior to final approval.

Budget Impact:

N/A

Strategic Impact:

Detailed minutes ensure that Commission meetings are well documented and votes are recorded for the public record.

Recommendation Commission approve minutes as transcribed.

Attachment(s):

1. 10.10.2023 PAC Minutes_ADA

Prepared by: Jennifer Schwarz, Operations Manager
Reviewed by: carsonc carsonc, Special Events Manager
Troy Shonk, Parks & Recreation Director

Approved - 11/22/2023
Final Approval - 11/22/2023

**CITY OF
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PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**



**October 10, 2023
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Call to Order

Commissioner Decker called the Public Arts Commission meeting to order at 3:30 pm in the Mount Dora Council Chambers.

Roll Call

Members Present

Thomas Decker
Jane Slivka
Rebecca Owen
John Wesner
Keashawn "Kay" Volmar

Also Present

Troy Shonk, Parks & Recreation Director
Chris Carson, Cultural and Special Events Manager
Amanda Ferguson, Administrative Assistant

Members Not Present

Harlow Middleton
Maryann McNamara

Approval of Minutes

A. July 25, 2023 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Decker inquired if there were any changes to the minutes. There were none.

***MOTION BY REBECCA OWENS TO APPROVE THE JULY 25, 2023
PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES; JANE SLIVKA
SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE.***

Public Comment

Janet Gamache - Mount Dora Center for the Arts - Informed the board that the Center for the Arts viva event was well attended, despite the weather, and that she is hoping that it continues to receive funding.

Christine Harris- Expressed her gratitude to the commission for their support of the MLK art program for the NECRA community, informing the board that 8 children and 4 adults participated in the summer art program. She expressed her wish that other guest artists would provide lessons at the MLK Center on Mondays or Thursdays for the community.

Presentations

Rachel Williams and Carole Warshaw with Girls night out Visual - Visual Arts Fund - They explained to the board that their group has met once a week as a group since 2004. They decided 8 years ago to start saving the money they would spend on gifts for each other for a public art fund for the City of Mount Dora instead. They brought their newest art project to show the group the rendering of the project they hope to complete by Diana Lucas. The font on the example is not what the final for the project. The installation location will be at Sunset Park, to the right of the sign for the park.

Chairperson Decker inquired if the installation location was finalized and also expressed his distaste for the art in general. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Warshaw said Sunset Park has a reminiscent feeling for many individuals in the group. Chairperson Decker advised that he thought the artwork was more fitting for an entrance to the City. However, the other chairpersons advised that they see it as a selfie or photo spot for downtown.

Mr. Carson suggested that each commissioner visit the park individually, look at the area for installation and bring their opinion back for the next meeting on November 28, 2023.

Adjournment

MOTION BY REBECCA OWENS TO ADJOURN; JANE SLIVKA SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 4:40PM. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

Action Items

Resolutions

Ordinances

Discussion Items

A. Call to Artists for Asphalt Crosswalk at Cauley Lott Park

Christopher Carson advised that there were not that many submissions for this Call to Artists and he is suggesting extending the Call to Artists for another 30 days.

MOTION BY JOHN WESNER TO EXTEND THE CALL TO ARTISTS FOR ASPHALT CROSSWALK AT CAULEY LOTT PARK FOR AN ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS; REBECCA OWENS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

B. Call to Artists for Concrete Steps at Sunset Park

Christopher Carson explains that we will need to have a 1st, 2nd and 3rd selection for the submissions.

Commissioner Slivka expressed her top three choices are 5, 7 and 4. Commissioner Volmer's top three choices are 4, 2 and 12. Commissioner Owen's top three choices are 5, 6 and 4. Commissioner Wesner's top three choices are 4, 1 and 1. Lastly,

Chairperson Decker expressed that the only option he liked was 3, but advised that he did not really like any of them and believes the commission should reissue the call to artist for better artwork.

Kay inquired what the cost would be to change it to a mosaic instead of paint.

MOTION BY REBECCA OWENS TO EXTEND THE CALL TO ARTISTS FOR CONCRETE STEPS AT SUNSET PARK FOR 30 DAYS; JANE SLIVKA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

Janet Gamache inquired if we could look into an artist that would be able to mosaic the risers of the stairs for option number 3, citing the original idea was to only paint the riser of the stairs. Janet suggested the commission issue a smaller call to artist to complete a mosaic on the riser of the stairs in collaboration to option three.

Thomas advised that he believes we should scrap the entire project and put their money towards something that would be better for the City.

MOTION BY REBECCA OWENS TO RECIND THE EXTENSION CALL TO ARTISTS FOR CONCRETE STEPS AT SUNSET PARK; JANE SLIVKA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

MOTION BY REBECCA OWENS TO EXTEND THE CALL TO ARTISTS FOR CONCRETE STEPS AT SUNSET PARK; NONE SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

City Staff

A. Staff Update

Chris Carson provided the commission with a proof of the design of the signage for the Mount Dora Music Hall. He explained that there is a city wide ordinance that limits the size of the signage based on the square footage of the property.

Communications and Reports

A. Commission Member John Wesner

B. Commission Member Maryann McNamara

- C. Commission Member Keashawn "Kay" Volmer
- D. Commission Member Rebecca Owen
- E. Commission Member Jane Slivka
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TO: Public Arts Commission Members

FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Call to Artist Discussion & Suggestion

Introduction:

This is an opportunity for staff to update the Commissioners on the Call to Artists for the Crosswalk at Cauley Lott Park and the Sunset Park Stairs.

Discussion:

Due to the lack of submissions for the current Call to Artists that are the Crosswalk at Cauley Lott Park and Mosaic steps at Sunset Park, staff would like to suggest to members of the Public Arts Advisory Commission to forgo awarding the projects due to the lack of submissions. There are a number of opportunities to explore, such as hiring artists to paint murals on the Martin Luther King, Jr. building and a utility wall located on Dora Drawdy Alley, just behind Simpson's property. This is also a good opportunity for members of the Arts Commission to explore additional opportunities in park areas of Simpson Cove and Sunset Park.

Budget Impact:

The Public Arts budget is located in GL # 001-1340-572.31-00.

Strategic Impact:

Further developing the spirit that further develops and enriches the artistic character of the community with the addition of art installations.

Recommendation Commissioners discuss the update and suggestion.

Attachment(s):

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Budget Impact:

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Strategic Impact:

Recommendation

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