



CITY OF DELRAY BEACH

100 NW 1st Avenue
Delray Beach, FL 33444

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Peter Pereira, Chair

Joe Aronstein

Lark Keeler

Joyce Warner

Absent:

Damian Fitzsimmons

Maxwell Zengage

Staff present:

Jason King, Legislative Affairs Manager

Kelly Brandon, Assistant City Attorney

3. STAFF UPDATES TO THE BOARD

Assistant City Manager Duncan Tavares introduced himself to the Board and thanked the members for their commitment. He shared his background on art in public places.

I. Recommendation to City Commission on Priorities for Public Art

Mr. King read a document outlining the recommendations to the City Commission created as a result of the March 3, 2021 workshop and asked for feedback. He explained an approximate cost of each project would be added at the request of the Interim City Manager.

Ms. Keeler asked if the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) had been consulted regarding partnering on the LOVE sculpture. Mr. King stated that contact would be part of the process if the list was approved. Discussion ensued regarding the Board's preference for the portable letter sculpture to say LOVE as a play on famous sculptures and tennis in Delray Beach, rather than saying "I Love Delray Beach."

The Board and staff discussed restrictions surrounding providing public comment at City Commission meetings.

Mr. King continued to review the list of priorities. By consensus, the Board agreed to add digital options to the request for exploration of feasibility for

wayfinding signage. Discussion continued regarding a call to artists for the sculpture project.

Mr. Aronstein asked for clarification regarding adding future art installations to the priority list. Assistant City Attorney Brandon responded briefly.

Ms. Warner asked the timeline of the presentation of the list to the City Commission. Mr. King explained the intent was to include the item on the second agenda in April.

Ms. Warner commented on language from previous calls to artists which could be used as a sample. Assistant City Attorney Brandon suggested Mr. King follow up with the Director of Purchasing.

II. Heritage Here Community Mural on I-95 Sound Wall at Catherine Strong Park

Mr. King provided an update on the mural project. He explained the preconstruction meeting had been held and the project was ready to commence once a lift truck was secured. Discussion ensued regarding an unveiling ceremony and capturing the process of the mural creation on video.

III. Public Art Trust and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Funding Contribution

Mr. King shared an update on the Public Art Trust, including the move from the Parks and Recreation finance structure to the City Manager's budget and the CIP funding contribution. He reminded the Board the balance was roughly \$56,000, with about \$28,000 remaining after removing the amounts due to artists.

Ms. Keeler asked that a report of the Public Arts Trust balance be shared at each Board meeting.

4. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. King stated there was a meeting scheduled with Public Works for later in the week to discuss poetry stamping and begin identifying locations. He explained the contract had been update, and the stamps were on order. Ms. Keeler asked about public relations and an unveiling surrounding the project, and discussion ensued on promotions.

Ms. Keeler shared details of an artist she had discovered named Jen Lewin and encouraged the Board to explore her interactive art concept. She stated working with an artist doing similar work would be special in Delray Beach.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Board Liaison

Date

Board Chair

Date