

CITY OF DELRAY BEACH

100 NW 1st Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33444

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

6:00 p.m.

City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:
Max Zengage
Samuel Spear
Agnese Kaulina-Feldmanis
Joseph Aronstein
Andrea Sherman

Staff present: Jeff Oris, Assistant City Manager, Board Liaison Kelly Brandon, Assistant City Attorney

Roll was called and a quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Mr. Spear, seconded by Mr. Aronstein to approve the agenda.

Motion passed unanimously (5-0).

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. October 24, 2022, Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Aronstein, seconded by Mr. Spear to approve the October 24, 2022, minutes.

Motion passed unanimously (5-0).

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Marusca Gatto, DDA Cultural Arts Director, introduced herself and highlighted the current Surfing Florida and #LoveDelray exhibitions. She noted expanded hours for Art Walk beginning in February. She announced the upcoming Art and Jazz on the Avenue event. She confirmed the Pineapple Grove Art District has disbanded and the DDA will be managing the Pineapple Grove art. She will send a copy of the Pineapple Grove documented art to the Board.

Mr. Spear asked about the relationship between the City and Pineapple Grove Art District. Assistant City Attorney Brandon noted they were a separate entity and there was no formal agreement with the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Spear, seconded by Mr. Aronstein to move Item 7B before 6A. In a roll call vote, the **motion passed** unanimously (5-0).

7. NEW BUSINESS

B. Storm Drain Public Art Project, Daisy Zheng, Stormwater Engineer, City of Delray Beach Public Works Dept

Ms. Daisy Zheng, Stormwater Engineer, presented on the Storm Drain Public Art Project. She noted Public Works Stormwater Division is attempting to raise awareness about pollutants entering storm drains, such as disposing of trash, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants. The storm drains are connected with intracoastal waterway, which is an essential part of our City's life force. The artwork will serve as both a reminder and a call for action in protecting the City's natural resources.

She reviewed the following primary goals:

- Raise public awareness of what is acceptable to be disposed down the drain
- Stress the importance of being environmentally conscious and ocean friendly
- Improve water quality in intracoastal waterway
- Involve public and community and encourage art diversity
- Beautify street corners and boost economy
- Attract tourists, IG influencers, reporters to spread the word
- Support City's award-winning stormwater management program

She displayed examples of the project in Pompano Beach and West Palm Beach, potential locations in Delray Beach, and process. She stated the estimated budget is approximately \$2,000 per drain for installation and \$5,000 for design costs.

Mr. Oris noted the program requires funding. He said they submitted for a State appropriation but noted it is not likely to be funded.

Chair Zengage likes the idea but stated \$25,000 is too high. He recommended local resources to save design and installation costs.

Mr. Spear asked about locations and any restrictions. Ms. Zheng said there are no restrictions but noted corners are ideal locations. Mr. Spear recommended collaboration and community involvement.

Assistant City Attorney Brandon asked about the Board's involvement. Ms. Zheng replied that the Board would approve all designs.

Discussion ensued about funding and the CRA.

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Mr. Spear recommended the City survey the number of acceptable drains and then prioritize drains for the project.

Ms. Gatto recommended connecting with the Sustainability Office to discuss the possibility of collaborating with the annual Climate and Art event.

Motion made by Mr. Aronstein, seconded by Mr. Spear to recommend the project to the City Commission.

In a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Regular agenda was resumed.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Sidewalk Art Project

Mr. Oris noted Ms. Kurisu is collaborating with a local poet and artist for the teen and community workshops. She noted shipping times for the stamps are a few weeks out. She also met with the Spady Museum to discussion integration with their programming and noted the project should be wrapped up by the end of spring.

B. Utility Box Wrapping

Mr. Oris noted Chair Zengage submitted a map of potential locations. He suggested the Board use the map as a guide and each member bring 5 potential locations to the next meeting.

Ms. Kaulina-Feldmanis asked for background of the project for new Board members. Mr. Oris provided a brief background and recommended identifying the locations.

Discussion ensued about parameters for identifying locations and budget.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Amendment to Mural Ordinance

Mr. Oris explained that the amendment expands the area of where people can request murals. He noted applicants must now submit a maintenance plan with their applications. Assistant City Attorney Brandon added that it also includes requests for flat roofs and parking garages.

Mr. Oris recommended a change of location to the Commission Chambers for future quasi-judicial items.

8. STAFF AND BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Oris noted he had no further comments.

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Assistant City Attorney Brandon stated she will send materials to Mr. Spear and Ms. Kaulina-Feldmanis when they set up their City emails.

Mr. Zengage noted he attended the Boynton Beach Public Art meeting with Mr. Oris, and it was informative. He stated they invited Glenn Weiss, Boynton Beach Public Art Manager, to the next meeting. Mr. Zengage summarized a few of the grants that Boynton Beach secured.

Mr. Spear recommended a grants writer or a consultant for the future.

Discussion ensued about Boynton Beach public art.

Mr. Zengage spoke about meeting attendance and procedures. He announced Boynton Beach's International Kinetic Art Festival.

Discussion ensued about creating a Board report for the City Commission.

Mr. Zengage asked for Board for feedback on requiring renderings for mural applications.

Mr. Aronstein and Mr. Spear both noted it should be up to the applicants.

Discussion ensued about mural applications and requirements.

Mr. Zengage spoke about fundraising.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Board Llaison

Board Chair

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