ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMISSION
July 3, 2019, 6 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Conference Room
2nd Floor, Central Library
14949 E. Alameda Parkway

I. CALL TO ORDER
Reminders: Vice Chair Rick Forsman will be taking notes for the city council update report.
Attendance: Chair Rob Niedringhaus, Vice Chair Rick Forsman, Commissioners Brittany Pirtle, Celina Kaur, George Peck, Julie Weinheimer, and Amy Cheslin (on the phone).
Staff: Roberta Bloom, Carina Bañuelos-Harrison and Midori Clark.
Introductions of Commissioners to three guests present. Chair Rob Niedringhaus reviewed information about the Art in Public Places program.
Guest: Scott Pasternack, Marie Louise-Vaughn and Lorna Rene’.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Approval of Minutes from June 5, 2019 – Action Item
Vice Chair Rick Forsman moved to approve the June Minutes and Commissioner George Peck seconded. A vote was taken and all approved.

B. Additions to the Agenda

III. OLD BUSINESS
A. Project List update.
Roberta Bloom briefly spoke to the Commission about the Plains Conservation project. She is still waiting to hear back from them about moving forward. The sculpture “Spectral Slice” will be moving to the new Aurora Housing Authority location. The sculpture is currently sitting in the Art Management and Planning, storage until it is time to install at the new location. Colorado Crush Walls from the list is still in the parking lot since the Art in Public Places Commission had not visited the topic in a while. The Commission decided to remove the following items off of the Potential Projects List: Area under Highway Bridge near Colfax Station and 13th Avenue and the Aurora Room project as well. Freedom Park will remain on the Potential Project list, since the group would still like to consider public art at that location.

B. Update from South East Rec. Center Art Selection Panel meeting held on May 21st
Vice Chair Rick Forsman spoke to the group about the meeting. There were close to 70 applicants reviewed by the art selection panel. The 3 finalist that were chosen were: Rob Ley, Barbara Gruygutis and Project One Studio. Next meeting is July 19 where the finalists will present to the art selection panel.

C. Update from Tollgate Crossing Part Art Selection Panel meeting held on June 18th
The art selection panel met and was led by Consultant Barbara Neal. The group included members of the areas Metro District, HOA, local artists and a few members from Parks Recreation and Open Space. There next meeting will be held on July 23 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

D. Status of artwork and order for Global Fest tattoos
Chair Rob Niedringhaus spoke about the six images from Aurora’s Public art collection, which will be ordered as tattoos for the Global Fest event. Carina Bañuelos-Harrison mentioned she has placed the order and they will arrive in July, in time for Global Fest.

IV. NEW BUSINESS
A. Commission volunteers for AIPP Global Fest table on August 17th from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Those that will be volunteering are as follows: First shift- Chair Rob Niedringhaus, Mid Shifts will be Vice Chair Rick Forsman, Laura Noe and Closing Shift- Commissioner George Peck. More information on times will be reviewed at the July 31 meeting.
B. Review of Fire Station #5 Art Selection Panel Recommendations
Commissioner Laura Noe spoke about the art selection meeting that happened that same day. She spoke about the three finalists interviewed. She also spoke about artist Austin Weishel who was chosen by the art selection panel as the finalist for the fire station project. Vice chair Rick Forsman moved to approve the finalist and public art sculpture plans. Commissioner Laura Noe seconded, and the group approved the finalist chosen.

V. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR
A. Advocacy Update and Discussion
Chair Rob Niedringhaus spoke about Commissioner Celina Kaur’s Ward meeting experience in May/June. He also spoke about Art in Public Places Social Media Followers that reach out to the program by Facebook.

B. Promote the NY Times Style magazine article about the 10 Best Places to see Public Art
Chair Rob Niedringhaus spoke about how important it is to speak about and helps promote the city.

C. Report on the Loveland Art Tour
Chair Rob Niedringhaus thanked Roberta Bloom and Commissioner George Peck for setting up the tour. Commissioner Celina Kaur spoke about the art they viewed at the Museums and Benson Sculpture Park. They also visited a Makers Space, Creaters Space, Artists’ Studios Space and the Art Space Live/Work location in Downtown Loveland.

D. Advocate for additional City resources for the AIPP Program
Chair Rob Niedringhaus will be scheduling a meeting with Midori Clark to speak about.

VI. ITEMS FROM THE LIAISON/STAFF
A. Comments on the written report
None

B. Update on CODAwards People’s Choice Voting
Roberta Bloom mentioned that the Central Recreation Center project was currently in 4th place. Roberta also mentioned that it is an accomplishment to be in the Top 100.

C. Update on number of individuals who have expressed interest in the AIPP Commission
There are currently about 4 or 5 people that have expressed interest in being a part of the commission. Interviews will be scheduled soon once there is a larger number in the pool.

D. The Point Pedestrian Bridge and AIPP Funding
Roberta Bloom spoke about the Federal Funding that is available through the DRCOG (Denver Regional Council of Governments) funding for the bridge. The bridge is located at Parker Road and the Nine Mile Station. The amount of funding that was set aside for the bridge will be set as the group gets more information about the project, so no vote was taken at the July meeting. This bridge is a city of Aurora bridge and not RTD.

E. Miscellaneous
1. The South East Recreation Center, Integrated Public Art finalist are Rob Ley, Barbara Gruygutis and Project One. The artists will be in town on July 18 for a site visit at 4:30pm and join the public art input meeting for the recreation center later that same day. Finalist will interview on Friday July 19.
2. Chair Rob Niedringhaus and vice chair Rick Forsman met with Debra Collins to go over how the Art in Public Places funding works. Both would like to invite Deb Collins to speak to the Art in Public Places Commission in September or October.
3. Next AIPP Commission meeting was changed from August 7 to July 31.
4. Roberta Bloom mentioned a tour of the Colorado Springs Public Art in the future. She will give the contact information to the Commission so that they can plan and organize. Commissioner Brittany Pirtle will be the one to organize and reach out to the contact.
VII. ITEMS FROM THE MEMBERS
A. Council Communications/Volunteer Hours/ Community Contact
   The group handed there hours and information to Carina Bahuelos-Harrison. All commissioners have been making contact.
B. Council Contact Summary
   Vice Chair Rick Forsman will be capturing the summary.
C. Cultural Affairs Liaison Report
   Commissioner Amy Cheslin mentioned they are currently still working on stream lining the grant process. She also mentioned that July 27th from 5-8pm the chalk art event for the 7/20 Memorial will be happening.
D. Announcements/ Good News
   Guest Scott Pasternack mentioned that 40 West in Lakewood will be having a two-day Mural Fest happening soon.
E. Update from Ward meetings attended by Commission Members
   Commissioners spoke and all meeting are covered for July.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
July Ward Meetings
   • July No Meeting - Ward I, Crystal Murillo
   • July 25 - Ward II, Nicole Johnston – Beck Recreation Center, 800 Telluride St. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
   • July No Regular Ward Meeting - Ward III, Marsha Berzins – Aurora Municipal Center, City Café, 15151 E Alameda Parkway, 6:30-8:00 p.m. July 27th 11:00 – 2:00 Picnic at Bicentennial Park Pavilion, 13600 E. Bayaud Ave.
   • July 18 - Ward IV, Charlie Richardson – Stampede, 2430 S. Havana St., 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
   • July 16 - Ward V, Bob Roth - Heather Gardens Club House, 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way, 6:30 to 8:30p.m.
   • July 17 - Ward VI, Francoise Bergan - Tallyn’s Reach Library, 23911 E. Arapahoe Road, 6:00 to 8:00p.m.

Art Selection Panel Volunteers
   • Iliff Station Round-about: Commissioner George Peck and Commissioner Laura Nee will be back-up.
   • South East Recreation Center- vice Chair Rick Forsman and Chair Rob Niedringhaus will be back up.
   • Tollgate Crossing- Chair Rob Niedringhaus and vice Chair Rick Forsman will be back up.
   • Interview Committee- Chair Rob Niedringhaus, Commissioners Laura Nee and Celina Kaur.

IX. NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS
Next AIPPC Meeting is the July 31, 2019 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Commissioner Laura Nee will bring snack for the July 31 meeting.

X. ADJOURNED at 7:57 p.m.

The mission of the Art in Public Places Program is to create great places that contribute to neighborhood development, economic vitality, and enrich and engage the community of Aurora.