ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMISSION
Minutes of June 2, 2021
Video Conference Meeting

Meeting Link:

Wednesday, June 2, 2021 6:00 pm | 2 hours | (UTC-06:00) Mountain Time (US & Canada)

I. Call to order
   a. Meeting began at 6:01 pm
      Present – Vice-Chair Brittany Pirtle, Commissioners: Amy Cheslin, Vanessa Frazier, Jesse Jimenez, Rick Forsman, Margaret Norwood, and Ana Valles
      Absent – Chair Mary Mollicone and Celina Kaur
   b. Volunteer to take notes and prepare a report for City Council
      Margaret Norwood volunteered to take the meeting notes

II. Approval of minutes for May 5, 2021 meeting
   Rick Forsman moved and Jesse Jimenez seconded the motion to approve the minutes.

III. Adopt meeting agenda
   Meeting agenda was adopted.

IV. Public comments
   None

V. Action items
   None

VI. Staff report
   a. Questions regarding the Staff Report
      What are we going to do with Ghost Trolley? Matt Kipp suggested we apply for the Fall Supplemental. Since we have the money in our budget, if Midori agreed to make it a part of the Fall Supplemental Request then we can go ahead and start the work. We do have the money its just more than we agreed to spend this year.

   b. Engage Aurora report
      There were over 400 visits to the site and 37 survey submissions. By request from Councilmember Alison Coombs, the graphics team designed and printed posters and flyers, to reach those that may not have internet. Tony took these to over 20
different businesses and there was a significant increase in awareness and participation after the campaign. AIPP will definitely continue using the tool in creative ways to engage the community.

c. Art 2C On Havana – AutaWash Location
The AutaWash property has been sold and is now closed. Artwork was removed and AMPA is now storing the sculpture until a resolution is made. The base of the sculpture has deteriorated, AMPA is in contact with artist to do the repairs.

d. GVRE artwork process photos
Carol and Tim have shared process photos with us that were shared with the group.

e. Aurora Youth Mural Project
What level of participation does AIPP commit to this idea? Could this be inclusive to the tunnel mural project? Project intent is to paint the word ‘Welcome’ in different languages. The five most spoken languages besides English in Aurora are: Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese, Chinese and Amharic. Feelings would be better if there was a known group of volunteers committed to seeing the project through to completion.

f. Plains Conservation Tour
Tony will send out a calendar invite to see what dates work best for everyone. This tour is to get an introduction to Plains Conservation Center, background on the art opportunities and see the possible locations for the art.

g. Other
  i. Gallery Committee still needs an MLK Jr. representative

VII. Items from Chair
None

VIII. Items from Commissioners
a. Reports from Ward meetings
  i. At Juan Marcano’s Ward meeting he mentioned that meetings could be moving to in person sometime in August
  ii. Rick reported that the next Ward VI meeting will be in person at Heritage Eagle Bend on July 21

b. Chalk Lines & Vines – Report
Rainy and Fun. Great turnout. Event organizers provided coverage for artworks to protect from the elements.

c. Other
   i. Commissioner Terms Ending – Interview Committee

   Rick Forsman, Celina Kaur, and Brittany Pirtle’s terms are coming to an end in August. It will be a good time to begin collecting applications now. Interview Committee Members will be Vanessa Frazier, Jesse Jimenez, and Margaret Norwood. Roberta Bloom will be the staff liaison. The deadline for applications is August 1st. By starting interviews in July and we can start to have presentations of candidates for our August meeting.

   ii. Brittany suggested an AIPP t-shirt be made to help identify and represent us at public events. We will see if the design can be done in-house by the city’s graphics department.

   iii. Roberta brought up that we need new swag – tattoos, magnets?

IX. Next meeting and agenda items
   7/20 memorial, T-Shirts, Plains Conservation tour date

X. Good News
   i. Tony is on Facebook

   ii. Three wards (I, II, III) and two At-Large seats (Dave Gruber and Allison Hiltz) are up for election this Fall

XI. AIPP Commissioner Activity Sheet

   Needs updating with interview committee members including Mary

XII. Collect Volunteer Hours and Contacts

XIII. Adjournment

   Adjourned at 7:25 pm
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.