

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ART COMMISSION**  
Council Conference Room  
City Hall - 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087  
October 14, 2019  
10:00 A.M.

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/WELCOME**

2. A quorum of members was present to call the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Members present included Judge David Sweet, Doug Agee, Kathleen Morrow and Amber Crimmings. Art in Public Places Liaison Bethany Browning, Assistant City Manager Joey Boyd and Assistant City Secretary Margaret Delaney were also in attendance. Betty Jean Hoaglund was absent from the meeting.

3. **OPEN FORUM:** David Sweet opened the forum for public comments. There were no items addressed, David Sweet closed the forum.

**4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Review and take action on the September 9, 2019 meeting minutes.**

- David Sweet made a motion to approve the September 9, 2019 meeting minutes. Doug Agee seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously 4-0.

**B. Staff update on the Fiberglass project and take any action necessary.**

- ✓ Bethany gave an update on this agenda item:
  - ✓ Bethany spoke with Urban Woods and they are supposed to deliver the pedestals this week.
  - ✓ Once delivered the Parks Department will install the metal rods to hold the guitar neck in place.
  - ✓ Still will have to do some prep work. The Parks department knows where they will be installed.
  - ✓ Bethany will provide an updated report once they are delivered and prepped. Not foreseeing any problems.
  - ✓ A webpage is going to be added to the website with the information, including a map of where the guitars are located. Bethany will email Kathleen with questions about what they are working on for the webpage.
  - ✓ Trying to put the guitars in locations where they are less accessible for climbing.
  - ✓ The website not live yet, working with IT to determine website and how to find it.
  - ✓ Woods Collision was satisfied with the publicity and supportive of the project. Bethany sent them a personal thank you card as well.
  - ✓ The artist bios will also be added to the website.
  - ✓ Bethany will email updates prior to the next meeting.

**C. Update and discussion regarding the Discovery Project and take any necessary action.**

- ✓ Bethany made contact with the Texas Commission on The Arts and has walked thru several pieces of the contract.
- ✓ The bronze statue project is a new project therefore we want to ensure our contract covers all information.
- ✓ There are still some questions that we need more direction on.

- ✓ Bethany has reached out to the director of Dallas Public Arts Program to talk about some of their projects and get some insight from them.
- ✓ Joey Boyd reiterated Ms. Browning's findings and supported the group's efforts to research.
- ✓ In order to get more information on those items Bethany and Joey met and decided to reach out to other cities and researched their projects on line and looked at their contracts.
- ✓ When we get to that point, we want to make sure the city is covered.
- ✓ Multiple research/steps done on the guitar project made it a success.
- ✓ Will continue to work on the contract and meet with industry people who have done multiple projects to get some guidance since we have not done a project like this.
- ✓ Amber has worked with sculpture installations before and will put Joey and Bethany in touch with a contact at the City of Plano if needed.
- ✓ She will also put them in contact with other cities who have done multiple project to gather additional instruction.
- ✓ The City of Fort Worth is still on the list to contact as well.
- ✓ They want to visit with several other cities who have done large scale projects.
- ✓ To see the bronze process Kathleen suggested a visit to Schaffer Foundry.
- ✓ Visiting the foundry, you will be able to see who the real artists are when it comes to this process.
- ✓ Arlington does a lot of business with Schaffer and contacting them could be a great benefit for this project.
- ✓ Joey stated the question about hiring a consultant. Amber also stated that consulting with artists such as a design agency could also benefit the project.
- ✓ With her knowledge and contacts, Amber stated she can help with different aspects such as saving money on the project. She can do all this at no cost too.
- ✓ Will need to meet with Schaffer soon due to him being unavailable (end of October thru early November).
- ✓ Regarding the question about that park district, Joey is going to reach out to the City Attorney to get clarification on the ordinance regarding use of those funds.
- ✓ There is about \$50,000.00 in that district.
- ✓ The statues will be in the Lofland Park district.
- ✓ The Alliance funds are a little over \$60,000.00.
- ✓ Noted: Schaffer will be getting more expensive.
- ✓ Regarding the 2018 bond election. We will not know until we bid those projects what kind of money is coming forth. Anticipating a large amount.
- ✓ Will have a better idea in February on the amount we will receive.
- ✓ Is there going to be any limitations on the private donors?
- ✓ Site visits are very vital to this project.
- ✓ Updated information on the project will be discussed at the next meeting.
- ✓ Next meeting is scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ A timeline for the next steps regarding the guitars will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Other items discussed that is not on the agenda.

- ✓ Amber stated she would like to get information:
  - Details of past projects (successes and fails)
  - Farmers Market contact information
  - Sales tax information for the businesses in the downtown area
  - She shared some of her thoughts and ideas regarding:
    - Farmers Markets
    - Hosting an Art Market (having artist's artwork displayed)

Bethany will send the requested information to Amber in the coming weeks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ART COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL,  
TEXAS, This 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019.**

**ATTEST:**



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**Bethany Browning, Community Relations Manager**



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**David Sweet, ART Commission Chairman**