



City of Rockwall
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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ART COMMISSION

Council Conference Room - City Hall - 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall

January 13, 2020

10:00 A.M.

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

A quorum was present to call the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Members present included David Sweet, Doug Agee, Betty Jean Hoaglund, Kathleen Morrow and Amber Crimmings. Also present was Art in Public Places Liaison Bethany Browning, and Assistant City Secretary Margaret Delaney.

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

3. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Review and take action on the November 18, 2019 meeting minutes.

David Sweet made a motion to approve the following revision: (David made a motion to serve on the policies and procedures sub-committee with Kathleen.) on the November 18, 2019 meeting minutes. Doug Agee seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously 5-0.

B. Staff update on the Fiberglass Guitar project and Mural:

- Feedback discussion was held regarding the two guitars that have been placed in San Jacinto Plaza and Cain's Park:
 - Both guitars are getting a lot of attention.
 - There is a lot of foot traffic.
 - The artists are very pleased with the placement of their artwork.
 - There was a discussion regarding possible media attention (i.e. social media) regarding the guitars and perhaps asking the Downtown Association for some assistance.
- Bethany provided an update on the Fiberglass Guitar project. She stated she has met with Parks Superintendent Brian Sartain and they are preparing the sites for installation (pictures of the sites, City Hall, Harry Myers Park, and City Hall where the guitars will be installed were distributed). Each site will undergo site work in preparation, such as base work and additional landscaping. We anticipate the installments in the coming weeks. The Department is working on other projects simultaneously as well as regular park maintenance. Board member Amber Crimmings asked about anti-graffiti coating, with staff stating each guitar was clear coated with automotive grade clear coat.
- Mural update: There is minimal peeling on the wall. Photographs of the mural will be taken periodically to monitor the situation.

C. Discovery Project update and discussion.

- David Sweet stated he has reached out to Jim Bryant but has not heard back from him. David also stated he would like to visit with the Foundry to see about the future of this project.
- Bethany is preparing a timeline at Chairman Sweet's request and it will be completed by week's end. She is reviewing an MOU and Contract for the City of Fort Worth. The project was for the Vaquero Sculpture located at North Main Street. The project has many similarities, as it was a public private funded project.

D. Brief discussion regarding future projects

- Discussions were held regarding adding future projects to the Master Plan such as:
 - Downtown Art Fest – have local and outside artists participate, charge fees for renting tents, shuttles to and from the event for visitors
 - An event like this would take 8-12 months to plan;
 - Would need to obtain a special event permit;
 - Amber stated there are outside festival organizers that are useful, they do all the marketing, contracts and additional services;
 - Other possible locations could be Harry Myers Park or Harbor, which could provide adequate parking;
 - Share these future events with the Art League;
 - Use social media to promote future ART events;
 - Possible Cultural Center in 10 years;
 - Some of these future projects would need to go on bond issues/and would have to be voted on by the Rockwall residents;
 - Will keep this agenda item going on future agendas.

Amber stated she would like to schedule a possible field trip to the City of Plano to meet with Zane King to learn more about their art projects. Maybe in March, possibly a wine walk. Amber will send out some possible dates to commission members. Next meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ART COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, this 10th day of February 2020.

ATTEST:



Bethany Browning, Community Relations Mgr.



David Sweet, ART Commission Chairman