



**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Kim Steen at 6:00 p.m.
Attendance was noted as follows:

Commissioners Present:

Kim Steen, Chair
Andrea Madison
Lore Christopher (via phone)
Michele Roland-Schwartz

Absent:

Beth Melendy, Vice Chair
Felicia Squires
Laura Reid

Staff Present:

Tim Wood, City Manager Pro Tem
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ Lore Christopher moved to approve the May 2021 minutes. Andrea Madison seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Enrique Sepulveda circulated a drawing of his idea for painting the utility box at the corner of Lockhaven and River Road. Lore Christopher noted that in the current environment the rainbow colors might be misconstrued as a political statement, and since this is the first one and permission from PGE will need to be secured, it might be better to keep this design for a later time. She suggested using colors/images with less symbolism attached. Mr. Sepulveda suggested doing something with irises. Commission supported this.

Didier Planell showed ideas for mosaic work on the vertical surfaces around the splash fountain noting that he would send the Commission an estimate of the cost for either or both concepts.

Lore Christopher explained to both artists how the process would take place noting that having a general idea of the cost would give the Commission an idea on how much fundraising and/or grant writing would need to be done. She explained that, as a government entity, a request for proposals would need to be published so that other artists could submit proposals as well.

RIC SMITH PROPOSAL: Ric Smith referred to his proposal to exchange 'Iron Glory' for 'Entwined' noting that the exchange had been approved by the owner of Copper Creek and would be done by his shop without assistance from the City. He explained that he wants to 'update' Iron Glory with color and perhaps display it in a different location when

it is completed. Lore Christopher moved to accept the proposal of Ric Smith to swap out 'Iron Glory' for 'Entwined'. Andrea Madison seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

SIGN HOLDERS: Staff reported that two holders had been secured. One is for the eagle sculpture and the other for the Sasquatch. Following discussion Commission agreed that the signs could be made with current information and if the City purchases the 'Wet Eagle' that sign could be changed.

STATUE OWNERSHIP: Staff reported that Bloch had indicated that they liked the statue and would be interested in partnering with the City to purchase it but could not do it until the first of the year. Tim Wood indicated that the City might be able to come up with some money for the statue.

GRANT OPPORTUNITY UPDATE: Michele Roland-Schwartz referred to a spreadsheet she had put together showing various grant opportunities. She volunteered to develop a Request for Proposals template along with history and vision narrative pieces for projects so that those pieces would be ready to put in a grant application.

MASTER PLAN UPDATE: Andrea Madison reported that she and Isabella are still working on the artwork for the Plan. Following are additional items for inclusion in the Master Plan:

- Graffiti Coating of Murals: Lore Christopher to find out who should be responsible for doing this and where the funds for purchasing the materials would come from.
- Skate Park Painting: Under consideration. Kim Steen to research maintenance and costs.

BIONDI INSTA-ART UPDATE: Isabella circulated her proposed design which included butterfly wings in the center, lady bug wings on one side and dragon wings on the other with the Big Toy logo on top.

Lore Christopher moved to approve the Insta-Art design as submitted. Andrea Madison seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

Michele Roland-Schwartz moved to recommend Council approve the location of the Insta-Art mural on the Big Toy restroom wall at Keizer Rapid Park. Andrea Madison seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

Lore Christopher moved to recommend Council approve the Insta-Art project. Michele Roland-Schwartz seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

REVIEW OF CULTURAL HISTORY POLE SIGNAGE: Staff reviewed minor changes that had been made on the sign. Lore Christopher moved to approve the pole signage as submitted. Michele Roland-Schwartz seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen,

Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

Lore Christopher moved to recommend Council approve placement of the pole signage. Michele Roland-Schwartz seconded. Motion passed as follows: Steen, Madison, Christopher and Roland-Schwartz in favor with Melendy, Squires and Reid absent.

ROUNABOUT COWS: It was noted that because the sculptures are in a roundabout, they must be transparent. Commission asked staff to take pictures of the roundabout from all four entry points. Lore Christopher volunteered to write a narrative and to check with City Attorney Shannon Johnson on how to go about getting pricing without having funding in place.

STUDENT/EMERGING ARTIST DISPLAY: Andrea Madison indicated that the stained glass artist had more pieces to display. She will follow up with him.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sasquatch Update: Kim Steen reported that the artist is planning on pouring the cement pad on June 28 and setting Sasquatch on Monday. She has notified Clint Holland, will contact Keizer Times and confirm with Bill Lawyer.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 20, 2021

Minutes approved: 07-20-21