



**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 24, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

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

Commissioners Present:

Beth Melendy, Vice Chair
Andrea Madison
Lore Christopher (via phone)
Laura Reid
Michele Roland-Schwartz
Isabella Biondi, Youth Liaison

Absent:

Kim Steen, Chair
Felicia Squires

Staff Present:

Wes Hare, Interim City Manager
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

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

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS – None

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL GOETZ PIECES: Commission discussed additional pieces submitted. Lore Christopher moved to approve the additional pieces submitted by Geraldine Goetz for display in the Keizer Community Gallery in August and September. Michele Roland-Schwartz seconded. Motion passed as follows: Madison, Christopher, Melendy, Roland-Schwartz and Reid in favor with Steen and Squires absent.

MASTER PLAN UPDATE: Master Plan was reviewed by Commission with edits made. Discussion followed regarding the procedure to get the Plan approved with Lore Christopher suggesting that a public forum be held with a draft of the Plan sent to Keizertimes and invitations to the September 21 meeting extended to the Keizer Art Association (Lore to do) and McNary Art teachers and students (Laura Reid to do) so that they could provide input prior to submitting the plan to Council for their approval.

GRANT EFFORTS: Detailed review of the template submitted by Michele Roland-Schwartz took place with Commissioners providing input. Commission suggested that the non-project-specific blanks be filled in so that all that remains is the project-specific information. Ms. Roland-Schwartz was urged to fill the project-specific blanks for both the mosaic project and the roundabout project detailing the purpose, hope and history of

the projects so that they would be ready to submit when a grant opportunity arises and can be quickly submitted to Council for their permission prior to applying for the grant.

STUDENT/EMERGING ARTIST DISPLAY: Laura Reid will ask art students and teachers when school starts.

OTHER BUSINESS: Lore Christopher moved that the Arts Commission recognize Youth Committee Liaison Isabella Biondi in the same manner that former Committee Liaison Sydney Snap was recognized (\$50 gift certificate from Target & thank you card). Andrea Madison seconded. Motion passed as follows: Madison, Christopher, Melendy, Roland-Schwartz and Reid in favor with Steen and Squires absent.

Lore Christopher announced that she would not be at the September 18 Cultural History Pole dedication. Kim Steen will welcome everyone and announce the names of the funders, Beth Melendy will explain the carvings on the first pole and Michele Roland-Schwartz will explain the carvings on the second pole.

STAFF REPORT: Staff provided an update on the Mosaic process, sculpture signage, and mural coating. Lore and Kim will check the murals for graffiti and remove it prior to having the coating applied. Staff read to Commission an email from City Attorney Shannon Johnson (Cows at the Roundabout) relating to the process for retaining artists. Commission asked staff to send out an informal call to artists using the list compiled from other Oregon cities to get an idea of who would be interested in doing this piece.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2021

Minutes approved: 09-21-21