

Public Art Design Council
Minutes – January 11, 2018
City Hall – Executive Conference Room

1. **Call to Order** –Kari Mailloux (V. Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Present: Patrick Calvillo, Justin Combs*, Jim Heck, Larry McLain, Teresa Ooton Preston, and Jim Seitnater*. Absent: Charles Johnson (Chair), Lovella Kelley, Jana McCarron*, Mark Rassette*. Amy Allison attended to take notes for Jana McCarron.

(* Ex-Officio with voting privileges.)

2. **Oral Communications by Audience** – Councilmember Steve Dechant attended.
3. **Approval of Minutes** - Seitnater made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by McLain and passed unanimously.

4. **Reports**

- A. Percent for Public Art Projects:

- i. Sports Arena Public Art, Fire Stations #3 and #5 - Closed.
- ii. Fire Station #5, Orchard Park, & Main Street Streetscape (3rd to 5th Ave) - No updates.
- iii. Otter Exhibit – The selection panel of Justin Combs, Jim Heck, Teresa Preston, Ryan VanZant (zoo director) and Dye met with 4 local mural artists applying for the project. The information and photos of their work were shared with the Design Council. The panel recommended commissioning Margie Barron for this project. McLain made a motion to approve the recommendation, which was seconded by Combs and passed unanimously. The recommendation and artist contract will be submitted to the City Council for approval.
- iv. Rice Park Splash Pad – Dye said artist Reven Swanson discounted the price on “*Good Morning Sunshine*” to \$5,000. With the percent for public art at \$3000, private funds were gifted in the amount of \$1500 from Lovella Kelley and \$500 from donor advised funds of Nancy and Gary Witham. A purchase agreement with the artist will be presented to the City Council on January 16th.
- v. Zoo Education Center – Dye reported that Ryan VanZant would like to see the bronze sculpture “*Midnight Serenade*” in front of the new zoo education building. This piece won the Juror’s Award for the 2017 SculptureWalk and is currently on exhibit at Avenue C and Main. The sculpture by Pokey Park retails \$15,500 with a 20% discount for the City. The percent for public art is estimated at \$2,000, which would require additional private funding of \$10,400 by May when the current exhibit ends.

- B. SculptureWalk Update – The 2017 People’s Choice Award was announced as Debra Zelenak for her sculpture titled “*Guidance*” located at Sherman and Main. Debra will receive a \$1000 award. Dye also reported that donations of \$15,000 were provided from several individuals and business for the 2018 SculptureWalk. A call for artist was distributed to about 600 artists nationwide with a good

response. Entries are due January 12th, with selections to be made on January 26th. Dye requested a jury panel to work with her that would include Justin Combs, Jim Seitnater, Lovella Kelley, Jeremy Lindahl and Patrick Calvillo. The SculptureWalk reception will be moved to the Art Center for Friday, June 22nd. Discussion was had about moving the red dog sculpture named “Stay” to the dog park as requested by users of the park, thereby providing another pedestal to be used along Main St. Calvillo made a motion to move the sculpture to the dog park. Preston seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

- C. **Chamber ART Gallery** – Dye said artwork for the next Chamber Art Gallery exhibit will be provided by TECH. She shared photos of the artwork to be displayed.
- 5. **Unfinished Business** – Seitnater shared copies of the CVB’s updated Visitors’ Guide for 2018, which includes advertisement for the Hutchinson Public Art program along with a two-page spread of local public art photos.
- 6. **New Business** – None.
- 7. **Communications and Comments** – Calvillo is working on a Mid-America Art Alliance grant to do mural workshops. He will be looking for opportunities for students who complete the workshops to paint murals in the community. Several locations were discussed.
- 8. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn by Heck, and second by McLain. The motion passed.

Minutes prepared by Meryl Dye

The next meeting date is March 8, 2018 at 3:30 PM.
