

**Art in Public Places Board Meeting
October 26, 2017, 5:30 p.m.
Room 110, Municipal Building**

Members Present: Susie Schillaci, Jeremy Smith, and Catherine Ozment

Members Not Present: Pete Carson, Britton Donharl

Others Present: Libby Carlsten (Staff Liaison) Eva Jacobson (Support Staff)

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Chair Schillaci

II. Public Comment

III. APP Board Business

- a. Approval of Minutes from September 28, 2017.

Motion:

Board member Vice Chair Smith moved to accept the minutes from the September 28, 2017 meeting. Board Member Ozment seconded. All voted in favor. (3/0)

- b. Recognition of outgoing board member:

- i. Chair Schillaci thanked the Board plus Libby Carlsten and stated that she feels that the Board has achieved a lot during her two terms. Vice Chair Smith presented a plaque to Chair Schillaci and expressed gratitude on behalf of the APP Board.
- ii. Chair Schillaci prefaced the recruitment discussion below by encouraging other Board members to solicit interest in joining the Board

- c. Election of new APP Board Chair and Vice Chair

Motion:

Chair Schillaci nominated Vice Chair Smith as APP Board Chair and Board member Ozment as APP Board Vice Chair effective at the end of the October meeting. Vice Chair seconded the motion. All voted in favor (3/0)

IV. Current Projects

- a. WR Pottery Project – cost for educational plaque
- i. Staff Liaison Carlsten presented the latest iteration of the educational plaque draft. Several adjustments have been made according to the recommendations of the APP Board.
 - ii. Edits can still be made. Vice Chair Smith pointed out inconsistencies in font and the justification of several paragraphs. Staff Liaison Carlsten will address this issue with Leslie Bucklin. Vice Chair Smith also pointed out

that White Rock and Los Alamos should be on the map to provide a geographic point of reference. This issue could be resolved by moving the "Collaboration" paragraph next to the map or by expanding the map to include White Rock with a "you are here" marker.

- iii. A vendor for the plaque has been identified. The price estimate with shipping and hardware for installation is \$3000.
 - iv. Staff Liaison Carlsten will have corrections made to the plaque and firm up the cost in time for final approval by the APP Board at the November meeting.
- b. Update on Colin Selig artwork for the front area of the Community Building
- i. Vice Chair Smith reported that the benches have been installed and the spherical sculptures have been powder coated and outfitted with lights. They will be ready to ship within a month. Discussion about the placement of the sculptures followed. The board members present agreed that the sculptures do not have to be installed on the existing concrete blocks.
 - ii. Staff Liaison Carlsten asked Vice Chair Smith to clarify with Colin Selig what "remote" programming" means with respect to the lights on the spheres.
- c. Update on the "Eye in the Sky" (eagle) sculpture
- i. Chair Schillaci and Staff Liaison Carlsten reported on a walk-through of the park behind the former Red Cross cottage and near the Betty Ehart Senior Center with Chris Wilson, Randy Lucero, and Jeff Humpton. The site was deemed as a possible location for the sculpture by the group. Chris Wilson mentioned the possibility of creating a memorial park. Staff Liaison Carlsten concurred that the location has the potential to be a suitable spot for memorial ceremonies and gatherings. There is an existing wall that could potentially be used as a name dedication wall.
 - ii. To further consider the location, Chris Wilson has offered to conduct further research to prepare for a path forward with all County stake holders including the Parks and Rec. Board.
 - iii. Chair Schillaci recommended that Board member Pete Carson and an additional Board member should take over this project. It is going to be a long, slow process and involve many steps and stake holders. Vice Chair Smith offered to take the lead on this project going forward.
 - iv. Chair Schillaci and Staff Liaison Carlsten reiterated that although the idea of a park to honor the Armed Services is gathering momentum, the project can go forward with or without the "Eye in the Sky" sculpture. Staff Liaison Carsten said that another artwork piece could be commissioned, too.

V. Other Business

- a. Update on options for a public art database
 - i. The County Information Management Department (IM) is currently developing a process to be followed when they start to reach out to

vendors of suitable database software. The process would identify pricing and specs. For this purpose, IM has inquired about the number of licenses needed. Staff Liaison Carlsten responded that five licenses would be sufficient for some Board members and a number of staff to have access.

- b. Discuss options, including disposal, for "Inside Out" and a photograph by Bill Jack Rodgers.
 - i. The sponsor of the agenda item, Board member Donharl, was not present and the item was moved to the November agenda.
- c. Discuss options regarding a request from Katie Bruell to add art to the concrete retaining wall at the rear of the Aquatic Center
 - i. Chair Schillaci offered the opinion that the project is only marginally within the APP purview because of the limited public access. Board member Ozment expressed agreement and said that this project might be better suited for a local art group or other organization.
 - ii. Chair Schillaci will contact Katie Bruell to convey that the Board declined to take on the project at this moment in time.

VI. Chair Communications

- a. Board recruitment
 - i. Board member Ozment suggested a radio interview to advertise recruitment. She also mentioned FB groups including the County FB page and sending a PSA to LA daily post and a listing in the County Line. Vice Chair Smith will contact the radio and request to do a radio interview.
 - ii. Staff Liaison Carlsten reminded the Board that applications are now exclusively online. Paper applications are no longer accepted.

VII. Board Member Communications

- a. Art Inventory/Maintenance Issues – Recommendations
 - i. The sponsor of the agenda item, Board member Donharl, was not present and the item was moved to the November agenda.
- b. Public Art Archives (PAA) – update report
 - i. Board member Ozment reported that the second round of letters are being prepared. Library reference staff are aiding with research to track down artist and in some cases information about next of kin.
 - ii. 15 replies have been received and the approach to getting the 3rd round of letters out is being discussed.

VIII. Staff Member Communications

- i. The "Evening of Arts of Culture" debrief was submitted to Patrick Neher. The performance attendance estimate is about 2000. This is based on clicker counts and other information from the different venues. This is not an unduplicated count. Carlsten deemed the event a success for

an inaugural event and noted that the date of October 12 has already been selected for a repeat in 2018. .

- ii. Vice Chair suggested more visual art to be included in future “Evening of Arts of Culture” events. This would create a better balance between performance art and other art forms.
- iii. Board member Ozment brought up the issue of “shushing” during performances. She pointed out that the open house nature of the event should be explicitly stated to performers and audiences prior to the event to align expectations. Staff Liaison Carsten suggested the venues and performances could be matched up differently to avoid clashes between formats and expectations.

IX. Future APP Board Meeting Dates and Proposed Agenda Items

- a. November 16, 2017 – 5:30 p.m. – Council Chambers - Municipal Building – Update on Artwork for the Community Building; Options for “Eye in the Sky” sculpture; Public art database options; Discuss options, including disposal, for “Inside Out” and a photograph by Bill Jack Rodgers. Art Inventory/Maintenance Issues – Recommendations. Sculpture garden representative/Ashley Pond master plan.
- b. December 14, 2017 - 5:30 p.m. – Council Chambers – Municipal Building – Update on “Eye in the Sky”; Update on Public Art Archives; Art inventory/maintenance issues; Brain storm session about future projects.

X. Adjournment

Vice Chair Smith had to leave the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Motion:

Board member Ozment moved to adjourn due to lack of quorum. Vice Chair Smith seconded. All voted in favor. (3/0)

Approved by APPB, November 16, 2017

Jeremy Smith, Board Chair