



County of Los Alamos

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

Minutes

Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

*Jeremy Smith, Chair; Catherin Ozment, Vice-Chair; Peter Carson; and Britton Donharl,
Members*

Thursday, November 16, 2017

5:30 PM

Council Chambers - 1000 Central Ave.
Los Alamos, NM 87544

1. CALL TO ORDER-ROLL CALL

Members Present: Catherine Ozment, Jeremy Smith, Britton Donharl, Pete Carson (arrived after first vote)

Members Not Present:

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. APP BOARD BUSINESS

[10093-17](#) Approval of Minutes from October 26, 2017

Attachments: [Draft APPB Minutes 10-26-17 LC rev](#)

Motion:

Vice Chair Ozment moved to accept the minutes from the October 26, 2017 meeting. Board Member Donharl seconded. All voted in favor. (4/0)

[10094-17](#) Review and approve APPB meeting calendar for 2018

Attachments: [APPB 2018 meeting schedule](#)

Motion:

Vice Chair Ozment moved to approve the APPB meeting agenda for 2018. Board member Carson seconded. All voted in favor (5/0)

5. CURRENT PROJECTS

[10095-17](#) WR Pottery Project - cost for educational plaque

All requested adjustments from the October Board meeting have been

made. The Board asked Staff Liaison Carlsten to request two columns to be vertically centered and one more headline to be center adjusted. The Board also requested the addition of a compass arrow pointing north to the map.

The estimated cost of \$3000 is based on previous work done by the company, Fossil, for the Green Team. The company has not yet responded to requests for a price estimate.

Motion:

Board member Donharl moved to approve the cost of up to \$4500 for the production of the WR educational plaque with the suggested corrections.

Vice Chair Ozment seconded the motion. All voted in favor (5/0)

10096-17

Update on Selig artwork for the front area of the Community Building

Vice Chair Smith reported that the three sculptures have arrived. Pete Carson and Chair Smith will meet with PROS manager, Chris Wilson on Monday, Nov. 27th to determine placement and installation options for the sculptures. Options for running power also have to be discussed.

10108-17

Update on the "Eye in the Sky" (eagle) sculpture

Staff Liaison Carlsten presented a package of photos of the space adjacent to the Betty Ehart Senior Center to the Board. Parks staff and Staff Liaison Carlsten would like the APP Board to consider this area for further development. The location is already technically a park space and has the potential to be developed into an outdoor space used for a sculpture installation and ceremonial purposes.

Vice Chair Ozment proposed that the idea of a space honoring members of the armed services is to be cultivated slowly and all options with regards to the art piece should be kept open. Board member Donharl suggested that the future agenda item should be renamed "Ceremonial Park" rather than referring to a specific art piece.

Staff Liaison Carlsten clarified the relationship between stakeholders. If the area is to be developed, the PROS division plus the Parks and Rec. Board would have to be involved as the project leading partner. Other stakeholders, like the Senior Center will need to be consulted. In addition to the sculpture itself, the APP Board can contribute to the landscaping around the sculpture. The APP Board cannot be the primary planner and developer of the park project itself.

Board member Carson offered to contact Mr. Philip Kunsberg (the owner of the land where the sculpture is currently located) to update him on the project.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

[10098-17](#) Begin discussions of potential locations for public artwork

Staff Liaison Carlsten reported on the proposed underpass on highway NM 502. She recommended this project is a great future opportunity for APP Board involvement. Staff Liaison Carlsten added that the trend in public art involving colored lights and interactive motion activated installations could be a good fit for this particular location as additional lighting would add to the esthetics and safety of a concrete underpass. This project will require early involvement of the APP Board and a project update from Project Management staff will appear on the December meeting agenda.

Vice Chair Ozment presented an idea for interactive, cross-over art/play structure on the strip of land in front of the Municipal building along Central Ave. Carlsten cautioned that a play structure funded by APP must reflect artistic effort. Additionally, the mentioned space can only be used for temporary efforts as the space is available for future commercial development.

The Deacon Street renovation was mentioned as a future project by Chair Smith.

Board member Carson brought up the road and business construction on Trinity and 20th street. Staff Liaison Carlsten believes that this is commercial property, but will confirm this and report back to the Board.

Board member Donharl introduced the idea of developing the parking lot between the concert area at Ashley Pond and the Justice complex.

Discussion about the design of a potential open call followed. Board member Donharl expressed the opinion that a fresh eye with regards to locations could be a fruitful exercise that could generate new location ideas. Carlsten will gather information about the last open call to be discussed at the December APP Board meeting.

Chair Smith mentioned Duane Smith auditorium at LAHS. Staff Liaison Carlsten pointed out that this project is near completion, so the opportunity is most likely lost.

Vice Chair Ozment inquired about the possibility of broadening or changing the scope of the APP code. Staff Liaison Carlsten responded that a code change would be a legal process, but that it might be time for an update given the fact that art and technology has been developing rapidly since the APPB enabling legislation was originally written.

10099-17 Update on options for a public art database

No new information is available.

10100-17 Discuss options, including disposal, for “Inside Out” and a photograph by Bill Jack Rodgers

Board member Donharl distributed a spreadsheet with disposal items listed along with the steps to be taken to move toward a proposal for disposal.

Staff Liaison Carlsten suggested to utilize the Reference librarians to track down next of kin for Bill Jack Rodgers. One way to move forward could be to find out if the slides can be replaced before a disposal process discussion can begin in earnest.

Board member Donharl will attempt to contact Janice Sanders to discuss the disposal of “Inside Out”.

The process of disposal of the Aquatic Center mural would start with soliciting public input. The board decided to hold off with the disposal discussion regarding this piece.

Motion:

Board member Donharl moved to start the proposal for disposal process of “Inside out” by Janice Sanders. Board member Carson seconded. All voted in favor. (5/0)

7. CHAIR COMMUNICATIONS

10101-17 Board Recruitment

Two applicants are going to be interviewed next Wednesday, Nov. 29nd.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

[10102-17](#) Art Inventory/Maintenance issues - recommendations

Board member Donharl stated that she is going to start going through the list to determine which repairs are to be undertaken and how to move forward with repairs. She will double check that the planned outdoor and library repairs have been completed. The rest of the repairs on the list are to be undertaken by the County and are a question of getting work order submitted. Board member Donharl will also check on missing plaques.

The base of the Brown trout sculpture has deteriorated rapidly and, according to Joe Lindssy of Sculpture Smart, there is cause for concern about the structural integrity of the sculpture. Staff Liaison Carlsten said that there is some money in the restoration budget for the restoration of this piece.

[10103-17](#) Public Art Archives - Update report

Board member Ozment reported that the group is still moving through the process and letters are still being mailed out in batches.

More responses have been received since the October APP Board meeting. Follow up letters to first round will go out in January.

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

10. FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

[10104-17](#)

December 14, 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; Update on the Ashley Pond Master Planning efforts;

Update on Artwork for the Community Building; Public art database options; Update on Ashley Pond Master plan efforts. Begin discussion of work plan. Open call discussion. Disposal proposal. Update of underpass on highway NM 502.

[10105-17](#)

January 25, 2018 - 5:30 p.m. - Council Chambers - Municipal Building -
Update on "Eye in the Sky"; Update on Public Art Archives; Art inventory/maintenance issues;

Update on Public Art Archives; Art inventory/maintenance issues; Open call discussion

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Motion:

Vice Chair Ozment moved to adjourn. Chair Smith seconded. All voted in favor. (5/0)

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