AGENDA

PUBLIC ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION
March 17, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.
City Hall, 240 Columbus Avenue

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Members: Marsha Carrington, Robin Lloyd, Chris Parthemore, Adam Ramsdell, Gail Riedy, Brian Stanley, Cable Steinemann Jordan Sternberg and Martha Wikel

Ex-Officio Members: Blake Harris, Michelle Newell & Greg Voltz

CURRENT BUSINESS

Review of Draft RFQ for City Hall Gallery

Courtesy Review of "Live Green" mural at 1202 W Washington Street

Project Updates:

1. Pre-Qualified Artist List RFQ
2. Artist Social & Workshop

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Next Public Art & Culture Commission meeting is April, 21st at 5:15 p.m.

Call for Artists

City Hall Art Gallery Program

Deadline:

Sponsored by the City of Sandusky Public Arts and Culture Commission

The City of Sandusky Public Arts and Culture Commission encourages artistic expression and fosters a greater appreciation for art in our community. Artists are invited to submit applications to exhibit two-dimensional work in the City of Sandusky City Hall first floor hallways. Applications may be submitted individually or as a group; preference will be given to Sandusky residents but the call is open to all Erie County residents.

Application Process

- Artists interested in participating must complete an Art Exhibition Application and submit electronic copies of their work.
- All entries must be original paintings, photographs or other two-dimensional works created by the exhibiting applicants.
- Submissions will be evaluated by the Public Arts and Culture Commission using the established selection criteria (see below)
- The Commission may select to exhibit all, some or none of the pieces submitted by applicants.
- Artists will be notified by May 15, 202 if their work is accepted for exhibit.
- The City reserves the right to invite artists who do not apply, and to not select an artist through this application process.

Selection Criteria

- Nature of work – work that shows a generally acceptable level of technical and creative expertise.
- Appropriateness of work – The subject matter of the work must be appropriate for all audiences given that City Hall is a public facility.
- Additional consideration for City of Sandusky residents – Additional evaluation points will be assessed for City of Sandusky artist in order to recognize their contributions to the local community.

Exhibition Guidelines

- Exhibitions will be scheduled for approximately 6 months, but the City reserves the right to shorten the duration or cancel the exhibit.
- All art must be framed and ready to hang with screw eyes and braided wire. Clips and saw-tooth hangars are incompatible with proposed hanging system.
- Individual pieces may be a maximum of 1,800 square inches and a minimum of 320 square inches.
- Individual pieces should have a maximum weight of no more than 15 lbs.
- Exhibiting artist must sign and submit a Release of Liability form.
- The City reserves the right to photograph and reproduce any work for promotional purposes.

- The City is not responsible for loss or damage that may occur from any cause.
- Artwork may not be sold during the exhibit period.
- Accepted works shall not be removed from the exhibit prior to release date and time.
- Upon the end of the exhibit period, artists must pick up their art within ten (10) business days of the conclusion of the exhibition.

Timeline

April X, 2020 Call for Artists Distributed

May x, 2020 Application Deadline

May x, 2020 Finalists Chosen

May x, 2020 Finalists notified

June x, 2020 Finalists works displayed

Application materials are available below.

For further information, please contact Greg Voltz gvoltz@ci.sandusky.oh.us or 419 627 5973

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Deadline:

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Art Exhibitor Application

Thank you for your interest in exhibiting at the City of Sandusky City Hall Art Gallery. Please complete the following application and return it along with high quality images of your proposed artwork(s) by 3 p.m. May X, 2020.

Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

Email: Phone:

Please submit, along with this application, a maximum of 5 images in digital formation on USB drive, or via email (gvoltz@ci.sandusky.oh.us) with a maximum of 5 JPEG images (min 500x500 pixels). USB drives become the property of the City of Sandusky and will not be returned.

List of Images Submitted

#	Title	Size (HxW)	Medium
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Please provide a brief artist statement introducing yourself and your artwork including what inspires you to make art, your choice of media and how you use materials to communicate your ideas. Include any information not readily conveyed by your images (details, techniques, unique characteristics, prior exhibits, etc).

SANDUSKY MURAL APPLICATION

Application For Non Residential Properties

Mural Installation Street

Address 1202 Washington St.

Building Owner Name

William & Annette Johnson

Mailing Address

1202 Washington St.

City Sandusky State OH Zip Code 44870

Day Phone 419-625-4242 FAX _____ email _____

Mural Artist/Sponsor Name

Derek Brennan

Mailing Address

3877 W. 160th St.

City Cleveland State OH Zip Code 44111

Day Phone 419-202-4298 FAX _____ email derekbstudios@gmail.com

Type of Mural (check all that apply)

☑ Mural painted on exterior building wall ☐ Mural consisting of tile or other material affixed to exterior building wall

Type of Building Is the mural proposed on a mixed use building?

☐ yes ☑ no

Proposed mural dimensions

Total area	depth of mural from plane of wall	overall height of mural above grade
558 sq. ft.	0 in.	~~10~~ 11 ft.

Building Owner Signature [signature] Date 3-10-20

Artist Signature _____ Date _____

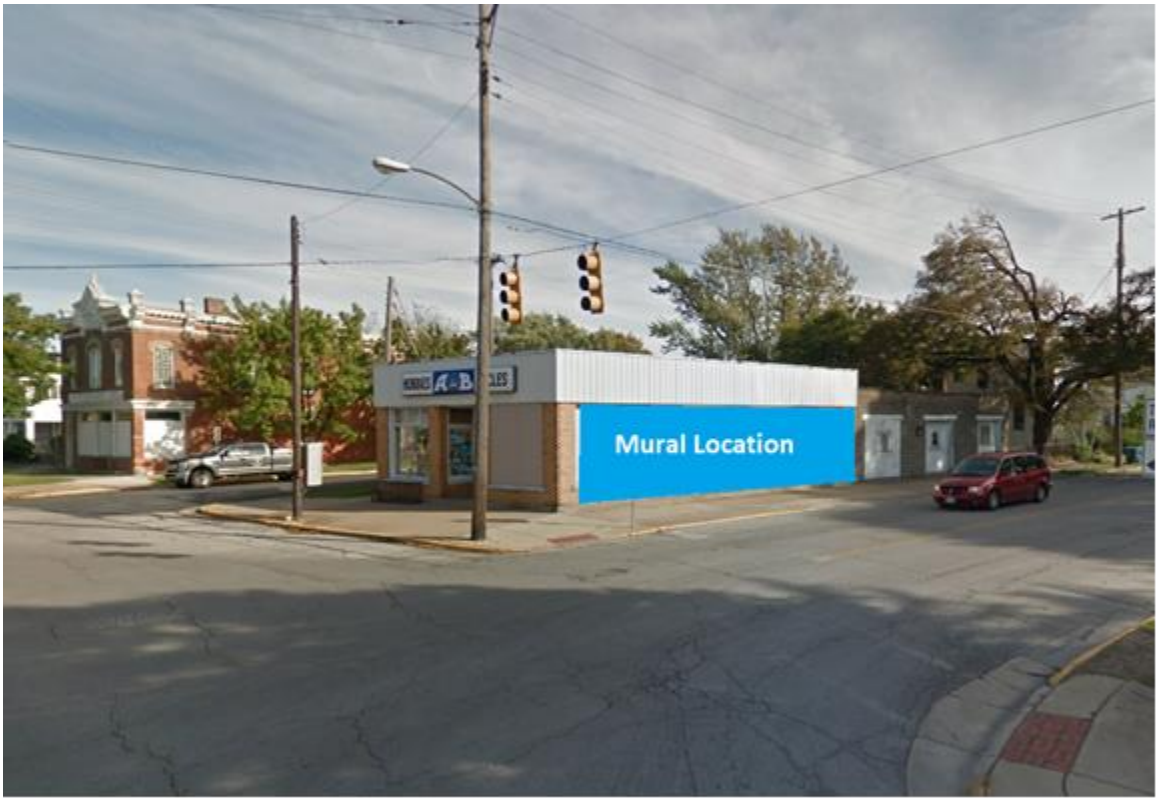
Items to submit:

- ☑ Rendering or written description of mural
- ☑ Photo of proposed wall
- ☐ Application
- ☐ Maintenance and display agreement between business owner and artist

4/17/2019

Existing Conditions

Mural Location



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PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION REPORT

COURTESY REVIEW OF DEREK BRENNAN "LIVE GREEN" MURAL AT 1202 W WASHINGTON STREET

Date of Report: March 12, 2020

Report Author: Greg Voltz, Planner

City of Sandusky, Ohio
Public Arts and Culture Commission Report

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Sandusky Youth Commission was created in 2019 as a way to activate local youth in everyday civic life, similar in format to Leadership Erie County. As part of this process the Youth Commission decided on having a "going green intiative" as their group project. This initiative culminated in them fundraising for the "Live Green" mural in partnership with artist Derek Brennan.

Because this mural is funded through non Public and Cultural Art and Acquisition Funds (PCAAF) this mural does not require an approval from the Public Arts and Culture Commission. However, as a courtesy review this is a chance to give input to the artist and the artist then as the option to implement feedback or proceed with the mural as presented.

The Sandusky Public Arts and Culture Program Mural Guidelines request that murals follow the following theme/design criteria:

- Murals on privately-owned buildings will reflect the character, culture and history of the area/neighborhood.
    - Just north of the site at the corner of Shelby Street and Water Street sat the now demolished Sandusky Wheel Company, reflected by the bicycles wheels shown in the mural. In the past this area was a gateway into the downtown core of Sandusky which was a very walkable area with every necessity in life readily available within walking distance. We now know that this lifestyle, if replicated today, would lead to a very low carbon footprint. Finally, Camp Street and Tiffin Avenue used to have streetcar lines that fed into a main line along Washington Street, also a greener alternative than personal vehicles we have today.
- Appropriate thematic and other relationships to the surrounding environment.
    - Just to the northwest of this site sits a recently demolished gas station/automotive shop, which shows that the neighborhoods character is reinventing itself as a greener and healthier place to be. A small pocket park also sites just to the West of the site where Tiffin Avenue, Camp Street, and W Washington Street all converge.

- Readability and appropriateness of scale.
    - The scaling is appropriate and readability is clear.
- Content: No signage or subject matter that could be construed as advertising or political messages.
    - While the current business within this building does sell bicycles the bikes referenced in the image are content important to the message of the mural and not in reference to products sold within the store.

The City of Sandusky Bicentennial Vision Strategic Vision calls for activating public spaces with public art installations. This project does this by working with a local artist to bring an increase appeal to this important area of Sandusky.

This mural also reflects a few items noted within the Sandusky Public Art and Placemaking Plan such as placing art in highly visible locations, adds the geographic diversity of art within Sandusky, and enhancing our gateways.

The Artist and Sandusky Youth Commission obtained a sign variance for this mural from the Board of Zoning Appeals at their February meeting.

CONCLUSION/RECOMMENDATION

In conclusion, Planning Staff is excited to see Derek Brennan's mural be placed on this property and after this courtesy review is completed by the Public Arts and Culture Commission he is able to begin installation when all documents are signed by both artist and building owner.

MURAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

This agreement is made on (date) _____ between: Derek Brennan of 3877 w 160th st,Cleveland, Ohio 44111 (“the Artist”) and the building owner _____ (address)_____.

After completing the mural, the artist will be responsible for applying a clear coat to protect the mural from graffiti and UV damage.

The maintenance and upkeep will be the financial responsibility of the building owner for 10 years. The artist will be given the right of first refusal for any maintenance or performing any retouches. If the mural is vandalized to such an extent that it cannot be corrected, then the mural will be painted over. Maintenance may include removing vegetation, surface dirt (especially along the base of the mural.) Photograph any damage to the mural before cleaning or attempts to remove graffiti. Any washing of the mural should be done so as gentle as possible with minimal water pressure and without any detergents.

_____ 3-11-2020

Artist signature Date

_____ _____

Business owner signature Date