

Brian Stanley called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Marsha Carrington, Shawn Daley, Robin Lloyd, Chris Parthemore, Adam Ramsdell, Brian Stanley, Jordan Sternberg, Martha Wikel

Ex-Officio Members present: Michelle Newell, Arin Blair

Members absent: Blake Harris, Cable Steinemann,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Chris Parthemore made motion, second by Robin Lloyd to approve minutes from 01.17.23. No objections, Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Vinyl Mural Project Update: Arin commented that two more of the murals have been installed; “Shrooms” by Jen Robinson at 301 E. Market Street and “Blue Streak” by Melissa Conquest at 246 E. Market Street. We have two remaining to be installed “Sunnie Selfie” and “Unlikely Friends” at a location to be determined. Arin will keep going through the placement process. It was decided to place 6 murals at this time.

Guitar Sculpture Placement Request: George Gast has asked several times about the potential placement of a donated guitar sculpture in Washington Park or Jackson Street Pier. He submitted a new picture of a guitar piece. The Commission liked the piece but questions that were asked were; will a plaque accompany it and does the City Code state that a person must be deceased for 25 years before placement of a memorial was allowed. Brian asked Arin to check guidelines that are in place for the City and Art Commission before consideration could be given. Also, what the donor wanted as far a plaque, and the materials and upkeep requirements of the sculpture.

NEW BUSINESS

Artist Led Grant Proposal: The Sandusky Farmer’s Market submitted a grant proposal seeking to conduct an event series called “Second Saturdays” to create vibrancy with public art installations and performance to activate the Farmer’s Market every second Saturday of the month. These would include live performances such as stilt walking, circus performers, live music, and chalk art on June 10, July 9, August 12, September 9, and October 14. They do have quotes to support this totaling \$2500.00. The budget has \$10,000 in the Artist Led Grant category. Mackenzie Spriggs, 616 Superior Street, was in attendance for the Destination Sandusky with the Farmers Market. She stated that many of the vendors were artisan made products especially early in the season due to the lack of vegetables and fruit ready for sale. The booths are \$15 per week, and they are hoping to increase the number of vendors of handmade, well-made, slow made, and home grown items. There is talk to hold evening markets as well. Commission asked that they promote the Arts Commission as the sponsor of this event. **Adam Ramsdell made motion, second by Marsha Carrington to fund the Second Saturday performances. Roll call – all except Chris Parthemore-**

abstain. President Stanley declared the motion passed.

Asphalt Art Grant: Brian Stanley brought to Commission the Bloomberg Philanthropy Asphalt Art Grant. Twenty cities in the country are granted \$25,000 each to increase public safety and activate public spaces through painting art on asphalt. Winners of the award also get consulting from Bloomberg and Assoc. Streets Plan Collaborative. The Hayes Avenue underpass is suggested because it is well documented in city plans in the Placemaking Plans, in the Neighborhood Initiative, and the approved by City Commission South Side Plan. The youth workshop about the South Side Plan had discussion about it being creepy to walk under the Hayes Avenue underpass and it is a school traffic zone for many students. Public Works and City Manager has given permission to go forward with this today to paint gateway art there and to ask City Commission permission to apply for the grant. The grant proposal is due by June 12. Brian and Arin will write and submit it. **Chris Parthemore made motion, second by Jordan Sternberg to apply for the grant. Roll call – all. President Stanley declared the motion passed.** Discussion about art placement on the Columbus Ave. and Camp St. underpasses were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Chris Parthemore, the meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm.

Next Meeting: 06.20.23.

Cathleen Myers, Clerk

Brian Stanley, Chairperson