
MINUTES

Public Arts Advisory Board Regular Meeting

5:30 pm; Wednesday, October 25, 2023

City Hall Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jude Grissom, Richard Stone, Gail Samuels, Nathan Gray, and Chairman Bryan Richie

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cayla Cardiff and Casey Anderson

STAFF PRESENT: Jan Harris, Main Street Manager

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARE A QUORUM – Chairman Richie called the meeting to order at 5.35 PM and noted that a quorum was present.
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT – There were no public comments.
- III. REVIEW / DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:
 - A. Approve the Minutes from the Public Arts Advisory Board meeting from September 27, 2023 -
MOTION: To approve the minutes from September 27, 2023, as presented. R STONE / G SAMUELS / UNANIMOUS
 - B. Receive and approve the financial report for October 2023 – Jan Harris reviewed the October 2023 financial report with the board.
ACTION ITEM: Debit the cost of the T-shirts from the Music on Main funds rather than the regular funds.
MOTION: To approve the financial report as presented once the cost of the T-shirts is debited from the MoM funds. N GRAY / R STONE / UNANIMOUS
- IV. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. Consider changing the November meeting date as it falls the day before Thanksgiving –
MOTION: To move the regularly scheduled PAAB meeting to Wednesday, November 29, 2023, at 5.30 PM. APPROVED BY ACCLAMATION
- V. CONTINUING BUSINESS:
 - A. Portal Project:
 1. Receive report detailing progress made with the painting of the portals – Gail Samuels reported that a new artist, Melissa Bonwell, will be painting the 34d Street portal. Another artist, Yenifer Delora will begin painting a portal in November. Gail reported that Viper's portal is ¾ completed and that Darien Gardner is also almost done with her portal project.

In September, the Board had discussed a Call for Artists to be issued for the three portals between 3rd Street and Dickey Bridge to be painted in a universal concept around the theme of Dr. Dickey. If the selected artist painted the portals as a triptych, then the stipend paid would be \$1,000. Casey Anderson and Nathan Gray had been charged with that task.
ACTION ITEM: Nathan Gray agreed to prepare the Call for Artists.
MOTION: To receive the Portal Project report as presented. R STONE / N GRAY / UNANIMOUS
 - B. Music on Main Concert Series
 1. Receive the most recent Committee report – The committee reported that the QR codes on the flyers and promotions are effective, and people are using them.
ACTION ITEM: Nathan was asked to present a report at the November meeting on the metrics generated by social media surrounding the Music on Main Concerts.
Nathan Gray reported that the T-shirts should be finished by next week.
Chairman Richie reported that Ku (Old Taylor High-Taylor Market Days) is offering table space for Taylor Pride and Mama Duck at TMD on Saturday, October 28th from 5-9 pm. Ku has also invited the PAAB to participate. Bryan has agreed to staff the table.
Richard Stone made a fundraising report and presented the 2024 sponsorship packet to the

board. The fundraising goal is \$15,000 for the 2024 season.

ACTION ITEM: Include the top sponsors' logo/name on the T-shirts. Top sponsors contribute \$1,500 or more.

ACTION ITEM: Jan to enquire whether Samsung earmarks the funds they provide to the CoT. Samsung is supposed to donate to the PAAB for the 2024 season of MoM.

MOTION: To receive the Music on Main reports as presented. N GRAY / G SAMUELS / UNANIMOUS

C. Potter's Alley Mural Project:

1. Update on Potters Alley entrance sign: Nathan Gray reported that the entrance sign is complete. Three THS students painted colorful swaths of paint and Casey Anderson painted the gloved hand and the verbiage.

ACTION ITEM: Bryan is to draft a letter of appreciation to the three student artists.

Update on Film in Taylor mural. Despite Bryan's efforts to contact him, Dennis has not responded. It appears that the Optimus Prime character is progressing. Without confirmation that Hasbro has granted permission for this copywritten character to be painted as a part of this mural, the Public Arts Advisory Board cannot issue public funds for this project.

An additional concern is that it appears Dennis intends to paint over all of the existing murals in the alley on the north wall.

ACTION ITEM: Bryan will write to Ricardo to inform him of the situation. And let him know about the board's concern over the copywrite violation and the proposed removal of the existing mini murals in Potters Alley

ACTION ITEM: If Ricardo does intend for Dennis to cover all of the mini-murals on the wall of his building, then the next step for the PAAB could be to offer mural grants for privately-painted murals. Jan is to research mural grants and present examples to the board.

D. Items for the November meeting agenda – Nothing was suggested.

VI. ADJOURN – MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 6.24 PM. R STONE / N GRAY / UNANIMOUS

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Harris
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10/31/2023
Date