

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE PAC ON FEBRUARY 18, 2021

Staff Present: Tom Gamble, Colleen Winters

Council Liaison Present: Mariana Valenzuela

Commission Members Present: Linda Taylor, Emily Lux, Dana Eytzen, Pat Truax, Amy Tracewell, Brenna Cooper, Leslie Crandall Dawes

Guest(s): N/A

Excused: Kathy Broom, Kathleen Leatham

Absent: N/A

1. CALL TO ORDER: By Dana Eytzen at 5:00 pm, followed by introductions with our new PAC members

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: N/A

3. APPROVAL OF PAC MEETING MINUTES: Pat moved to approve the December meeting minutes as written, Amy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: Deletion-Items 5A. Draft Mural Policy, 5B. Artwork Donation, and 5D. Vacancy Declaration Request

5. DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS:

A. Item Deleted

B. Item Deleted

C. Retreat Dates and Agenda: Typically the retreat is held from 9-12 on a weekend, but we are currently still unable to hold meetings in person. Future meetings will be transitioning from WebEx to Zoom. Topics will include the 2022 Mural Festival, a review of the strategic plan, goals review, and more. It was agreed that we will extend the regular February meeting from 5 to 7:30 PM for the retreat instead of holding a separate meeting.

D. Item Deleted

E. 2022 URA Proposal Update: The 2021 URA Proposal is still in the approval process. Because this process is taking longer than anticipated, the 2022 proposal should be submitted with extended time for review. The 2022 draft was shared (RE: mural festival) and included a list of possible locations for five murals. The subcommittee will meet to review the theme, project details, and other considerations, but the proposal should be submitted as soon as possible. Amy moved to submit the proposal as amended. Pat seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS:

A. Finance Report: Reviewed. Leadership gift described for new members and reminder for all.

B. Public Art during COVID Update: This project received positive feedback. All 100 signs were placed throughout the community. A next phase might be to encourage community members to post their own messages on social media using the #ForestGroveMessagesOfHope hashtag, or photograph and post the signs that they come across. This might increase the visibility of the project/messages for community members who are rarely leaving their homes. Leslie, Amy, Dana, Mariana, and Emily will meet as a subcommittee to discuss next steps.

- C. Banner Poles Update:** The foundations for the banner poles have been poured and need to cure. Questions regarding the decision to change the color scheme of the banner poles were discussed. In the future, such changes should be reviewed by the PAC. Question/discussion: How is the public alerted to projects such as these, to increase participation and possibly funding? The typical process was described, including the use of press releases and social media. It is a good idea to increase communication about projects in progress, as opposed to primarily doing so upon completion.
- D. 2021 URA Proposal Update:** Dana met with the URA regarding the 2021 proposal. The URA requested that the proposal be reviewed and approved by the URA Board of Directors. A work session for this project is scheduled for Monday. There has been a significant delay in the release of the call for art as it will not be shared until the project receives official approval.

7. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS:

- **Emily:** Will begin working soon on a socially-distanced community mural in Tigard to be painted by community members.
- **Leslie:** *The Berlin Diaries* audio drama virtual release party will premiere via zoom on January 24 at 3pm. Ticket information and details will be emailed.

8. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

- **Colleen:** The 42nd Annual B.E.A.R. (Be Enthusiastic About Reading) month is happening during January with window displays at the library, videos of the Police Chief reading stories, and more.
- **Tom:** Rogers Park/Anna and Abby's Yard is now open! Discussion of the many impressive elements and public enthusiasm.

9. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMUNICATIONS:

- **Mariana:** The City of Hillsboro is creating a mural made of tiles with the theme "In This Moment." They are printing the tiles and distributing them to community members throughout Hillsboro and Cornelius, who will then hand paint them. The mural will be installed in the new Hillsboro Community Center.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned by Dana Eytzen at 6:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Emily Lux.