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**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, April 20, 2023
Library Rogers Room, ZOOM**

Minutes are approved by the B/C 09.21.2023.

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Pat Truax, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Pat Truax, Kathleen Leatham, Dana Eytzen, Emily Lux, Brian Harris, Linda Taylor

ABSENT: Brenna Cooper, Cherie Savoie Tintary – excused; Leslie Crandall Dawes, unexcused.

STAFF PRESENT: Mayor Wenzl, Colleen Winters

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) *Minutes of the Public Arts Commission Retreat of March 18, 2023 were approved as read.*

MOTION: Dana Eytzen moved, seconded by Kathleen Leatham, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: None. Position of Rotary Garden Art selection and Continuation of the goal setting discussion were reversed.

5. DISCUSSION/DECISION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

The commission was presented with the two art proposals chosen by the jury for their consideration. Dana Eytzen gave a review of the disposition of the four artists and 6 submissions seen by the jury. After discussion, it was moved by Dana Eytzen and seconded by Emily Lux that the piece, “Guardians of the Grove”, by artist Josh Blewett, be selected. The vote was unanimously in favor. The recommendation will now go to the URA for their consideration.

The continuation of goal setting – based on the revised Strategic Plan – was tabled until the May meeting.

A.J. Baeza’s desire to donate four framed photographs to the City collection was

discussed. After viewing the four pieces, Kathleen Leatham moved and Emily Lux seconded a motion to accept the donation. Vote was favorable. Dana Eytzen will contact A.J. to determine the type of glass used in framing and to ask that he fill out a revised donation request that will reflect additional information regarding assessed value and permanence of the donation.

6. **INFORMATION / UPDATE ITEMS:** Treasurer, Dana Eytzen, showed the commission the proposed budget format. It is the original format used and allows a view of historical and current AR and AP amounts. The final will be presented for commission approval at the May meeting.

Prior to the meeting the commissioners were given a tour of the new City Hall by Paul Downey. The PAC is looking at ways it might add art to the new facility.

7. **B/C COMMUNICATIONS:** Emily Lux announced that the American Legion in Forest Grove will hold a Meet the Artist event on May 6, 2023 from 11:30 to 1:00. This event will unveil the interior mural painted by Emily.
8. **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:** Colleen Winters reported that the frame for the library mural is completed and ready for the mural installation. It is hoped this will be completed by April 30, 2023 in time for an event with the Library Foundation and the Friends of the Library.
9. **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:** Mayor Wenzl reported on Council/City activity including development of a temporary housing plan for the homeless community in FG; Charter Review continuation; available positions on the Planning Commission and the Budget Committee (Boards and Commissions will make a final determination regarding filling commission/committee/board vacancies by July); CEG deadline has been extended. Mayor Wenzl also encouraged members to attend the Habitat for Humanity Gala on April 29, 2023.
10. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on May 15, 2023, at 5:00 pm in the Rogers Room..
11. **ADJOURNMENT:**
The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Kathleen Leatham, Recorder

Colleen Winters, Staff Liason

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