

Metro Arts Commission Minutes of the Public Art Committee November 12, 2020

This meeting took place via teleconference.
A recording of the meeting can be found here:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jx-VEV7sm91

Present Members: Jane Alvis (chair), Campbell West (Commissioner), Alejandro Acierto, Omari Booker, Paul Collins, David Jon Walker, Jim Schmidt (Ex-Officio)

Absent Members: Donna Gilliam

Staff: Van Maravalli, Tré Hardin, Atilio Murga, Anne-Leslie Owens, Emily Waltenbaugh, Grace Wright

Guests:

A. Call to Order

Chair Alvis called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and made a roll call of all members present.

B. Vote on Governor's Executive Order No. 65

A motion that the meeting agenda constitutes essential business of this body and meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans considering the COVID-19 outbreak and is permitted under the Governor's Executive Order number 65 was offered by Paul Collins and Alejandro Acierto seconded.

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative.

C. Welcome - Van Maravalli, Public Art Manager

Van Maravalli welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Commissioner Alvis as the new chair. She also noted that Committee member Paul Collins would be stepping off the Committee in 2021 and asked for suggestions for another community member to step in.

D. Art WORKS Phase II: Art Lending Library – Artwork Selection Recommendations

Anne-Leslie Owens gave the Committee an overview of the Art WORKS program and the results from Phase 2: Arts Lending Library, which included a slideshow of the 60 selected artworks.

A motion to approve the purchase of Selection Panel-recommended artwork from 60 local artists for Art WORKS II: Art Lending Library and give staff the discretion to make artwork substitutions as needed was offered by Paul Collins and David Jon Walker seconded.

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative.

After the allocations were confirmed, Anne-Leslie updated the Committee on the proposed timeline.

E. Kossie Gardner Sr. Park Advisory Panel Recommendations

Tré Hardin reintroduced the Kossie Gardner Sr. Park project and an overview of the Advisory Panel structure. He then presented the proposed selection process and selection panel make up for Committee review.

A motion to approve the Selection Process and Selection Panel for Kossie Gardner Sr. Park was offered by Paul Collins and Alejandro Acierto seconded.

Roll call vote was taken, all members present voted, and all votes were affirmative.

F. Madison on My Mind project update

Atilio Murga updated the Commission on the Madison on My Mind project Beep and Greet showcase taking place from 1-3 pm on Saturday, December 12th at FiftyForward in Madison. He also discussed a partnership with consultant Todd Bressi to explore the intersection of public art, placemaking, and city design and create the final report for the project and NEA grant requirements.

G. Project and Program Updates

Van highlight a few upcoming public art projects:

- Virtual Dedication: Kossie Gardner Sr. Park November 16, 2020 @ 9:30am
- Madison On My Mind Showcase December 12, 2020 12:00-3:00pm

H. Adjourn

Commissioner Alvis adjourned the meeting at 10:51 p.m.