



METRO ARTS

NASHVILLE OFFICE OF ARTS + CULTURE

MINUTES

Public Art Committee

May 12, 2022 11:00AM-12:30PM

Metro Office Building

Nashville Room

800 2nd Ave S

Nashville, TN 37210

Commissioners Present: Jane Alvis (Chair), Sara Lee Burd, and Shaun Giles

Commissioners Absent: Donna Gilliam, Campbell West

Staff: Van Maravalli, Anne-Leslie Owens, Atilio Murga, Emily Waltenbaugh

METRO ARTS MISSION:

Drive an Equitable and Vibrant Community through the Arts

A. Call to Order & Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 p.m.

B. Approval of Minutes: April 14, 2022

Chair Alvis asked if there were any questions or proposed changes to the minutes.

A motion to approve Public Art Committee minutes from April 14, 2022 was offered by Shaun Giles, Sara Lee Burd seconded, and the motion passed.

C. Action Items:

1. Fairgrounds Public Art Project Budget Amendment

Public Art Project Coordinator Atilio Murga presented the quotes received for the Fairgrounds project and explained the research that has gone into the proposed new budget for the Fairground public art project. Quotes received:

Gizmo Art Production-\$1,381,607, Think Sculpture-\$2,450,000, and Ignition Arts-\$2,710,666. In response to the rising material costs, supply chain delays, staffing shortage, rising fuel costs, etc., staff are proposing an amended budget not to exceed \$2,000,000. The alternative would be a complete redesign. The PAC recognized the need for urgency as costs continue to rise and there are tight construction schedules.

A motion to approve an amended Fairgrounds public art budget not to exceed \$2,000,000 was offered by Commissioner Alvis, Sara Lee Burd seconded, and the motion passed.

2. Nolensville Pike Public Art Projects

Atilio Murga provided an update on the Nolensville Pike Public Art Projects. Staff has given artists the choice to either close out their full contract or to accept a stipend of \$5,000 to modify their design to a bus shelter wrap. So far, Tony Sobota, Prado Studio, and Daniel Arite and Thandiwe Shiphrah have accepted. Awaiting a response from LeXander Bryant and Tess Davies. Timeline will be dependent on completion of contract amendment, receipt of modified design, and Jarvis Signs' fabrication/installation schedule.

D. Project and Program Updates:

1. Donelson Public Art Project (Exterior)

Public Art Manager Van Maravalli commended Project Manager Anne-Leslie Owens for heading up the successful artist site visit and community engagement events in late April. Wowhaus, artist team composed of Ene Ostersaas-Constable and Scott Constable, have been commissioned for artwork on the library front lawn. They met with project stakeholders at the library site and then with community members at events at Wine Down Nashville and the current Donelson Library. She thanked PAC members for attending.

2. Upcoming initiatives

Public Art Manager Van Maravalli shared that staff are in the process of creating a comprehensive public art projects in-progress update for Commission and will provide that final document to PAC members as well.

E. Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.