



METRO ARTS

NASHVILLE OFFICE OF ARTS + CULTURE

MINUTES
Public Art Committee
February 8, 2024, 11:00AM-1:00PM
Lindsley Hall Building
Peabody Conference Room
730 President Ronald Reagan Way
Nashville, TN 37210

METRO ARTS MISSION:
Drive an Equitable and Vibrant Community through the Arts

Committee Members: Campbell West (Chair), Vacant (Commissioner), Sara Lee Burd, Shaun Giles, Stacey Irvin, Cara Robinson, Carlton Wilkinson, & Daniel Singh (*ex-officio*)

A. Welcome and Call to Order

Commissioner Chair West called meeting to order at 11:00 am

Public Comments

1. Local artist
2. Ruben Torres

B. Approval of Minutes: January 11, 2024

1. A motion to approve Public Art Meeting minutes from January 11, 2024, by Community member Dr. Cara Robinson and seconded by Community Member Sara Lee Burd

C. Action Items

1. Old Hickory Community Center Design

A. Discussion/Presentation

1. Architectural Design and Lighting Plan:

- The meeting discussed the architectural design elements, including the addition of clear variations to the walls and the installation of glass windows to maximize natural lighting. Emphasis was placed on replicating the wingspan of the great blue heron of 6ft, a prevalent species in the area, for authenticity.
- Lighting plans were reviewed, with a focus on selecting strategic options to highlight the building's features, especially during nighttime.

2. Project Status and Timeline:

- The current status of the project was addressed. The Old Hickory Community Center building still stands, awaiting demolition pending finalization of the contractor procurement process.
- As the project is ahead of schedule, attendees discussed the opportunity to influence construction decisions and strategically place for sky lighting fixtures.

3. Engagement with the Community and Audience:

- The importance of community engagement, particularly with children, was highlighted. The proposal focusing on the great blue heron and its significance, emphasizing the connection with local culture and wildlife.

4. Artist Statement and Vision:

- Attendees were provided with the artist's statement, emphasizing a desire for the installation to evoke a "dance of light" within the atrium space. The use of dichroic film was discussed for its vibrant and colorful effects, even in overcast conditions.

B. A motion to approve Gordon Huether's artwork design for "Wings of Time" at the Old Hickory Community Center by Community Member Sara Lee Burd and seconded by Community member Dr. Carlton Wilkinson.

D. Project and Program Updates:

1. Nolensville Bus Shelters: Scheduled for dedication in spring or summer.
2. Bordeaux Gateway: Complex project with participatory funding, awaiting new engineer drawings.
3. Donelson Library: Interior installation starts March 12th, exterior in early April, dedication planned for June 24th.
4. Permanent Supportive Housing: Addressing questions from Metro contracts, planning community engagement events.
5. Looby Community Center: Engineer drawings received, moving forward with plans.

E. New Business/Old Business

- Director Singh spoke briefly about an ordinance review and waiting on our legal rep. to return from military leave.

F. Adjourn

- Commissioner Chair West adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.