



MERIDIAN ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho

Thursday, April 08, 2021 at 3:30 PM

MINUTES

VIRTUAL MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

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ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lizzie Taylor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maria Tzompa
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Peters, Vice Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Jenifer Cavaness-Williams
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natalie Schofield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thomas Vannucci
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bonnie Zahn Griffith, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Raeya Wardle
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leslie Mauldin	<input type="checkbox"/> Joe Borton, Ex-Officio

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

L. Taylor made motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by J. Peters

All ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES [ACTION ITEM]

1. Minutes from March 11, 2021 Regular Meeting

J. Peters made motion to approve the minutes, seconded by T. Vannucci and L.

Taylor

All ayes

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS [ACTION ITEM]

2. Monthly Financial Statement for March 2021

L. Mauldin made motion to approve the monthly financial statement, seconded by

T. Vannucci and N. Schofield

All ayes

REPORTS [ACTION ITEM]

Initial Point Gallery Subcommittee

3. Initial Point Gallery Current and Future Exhibits

N. Schofield informed the commissioners that artists Mark McGinnis and Shaun Muscolo are currently exhibiting in the Gallery. T. Vannucci was the Opening Reception host and reported that around 42-43 people attended and the artists were very accommodating and welcoming

4. Call to Artist for Initial Point Gallery Calendar 2022

N. Schofield reminded the commissioners that the Call to Artist for the Initial Point Gallery Calendar 2022 is open for applications.

5. Proceeding with Bid Process for Gallery Information Brochure

The Subcommittee created an informatory brochure for interested artists and A. Belnap is going to get bids for printing the brochure.

Events & Outreach Subcommittee Project Overview

6. Preparing for Concerts on Broadway

L. Mauldin informed the Commission that the Subcommittee's next meeting is April 26. For Concerts on Broadway, the first two performing bands lined up. The performance on September 25 will be more of a variety show and doesn't need as much time to put together. We are still not sure what it is going to look like in terms of the pandemic.

7. Brainstorming for Art Week

The Subcommittee is still figuring out what Art Week will look like with the Parks Department for Art Week.

8. Researching Dickens Singer costumes

The Subcommittee is still working with costume designer, determining what is possible and the pricing for this project.

9. Formulating holiday contribution to Christmas in Meridian

The Subcommittee is considering several concepts and participation in Christmas in Meridian is to be determined.

Public Art Subcommittee Project Overview

10. Call to Artist for Traffic Box Repository 2021-2023

The Call to Artists for the Traffic Box Repository has been released and J. Peters requested that the commissioners share the new with their contacts. Applications are due April 15.

11. Selection of new traffic box wraps from West Ada School District Annual Art Show

L. Taylor and B. Griffith will be the Arts Commission representatives to select the artwork for the Arts Commission awards.

12. Request for Proposals from Parks Identity Roster artists for the Ten Mile Trailhead public art installation

A. Belnap attached the RFP documents and reminded the Commission that this RFP is open to the three artists on the Parks Identity Roster. They held the pre-proposal conference last week and none of the artists attended, most likely due to their experience with the process.

The Subcommittee will review the submissions with representatives from the Parks Department and the selected artwork will be put in front of the Commission for final approval.

B. Griffith asked why there were only three artists on the Parks Identity Roster. A. Belnap elaborated that a Request for Qualifications was issued in 2019 and each of the artists signed a 3 year Masters Agreement. The Masters Agreements are valid for one more year. E. Kane clarified that the roster is a Parks initiative, meant for the Parks Identity projects and if the Arts Commission wanted to recommend a different plan of action, the Parks Department might open for input. She also stated that if Public Art Subcommittee is not satisfied with the submissions, the Arts Commission is not confined to use those proposals.

13. Formulating the Public Art Plan

T. Vannucci is writing up notes on the workshop from last month. He explained that the notes will include the prioritization discussed in the workshop and proposed actionable items. Once finished, he will send the notes to A. Belnap and J. Peters to determine the responsible parties and next steps.

The Public Art Subcommittee's next meeting will be April 20.

Arts Inclusivity Meridian Project Overview

14. Expounding on next steps with the manifesto

The Subcommittee is meeting next week and will be looking at the Manifesto and how the Subcommittee can serve the other subcommittees and the whole Commission.

NEW BUSINESS [ACTION ITEMS]

15. Recap of the Public Art Workshop on March 27, 2021

T. Vannucci gave thorough report during Public Art Subcommittee Report and had nothing to add.

16. Review of the Meridian Arts Commission Strategic Plan 2020-2025

A. Belnap introduced the Strategic Plan and explained its use and purpose. She recommended that the Subcommittees review each of the goals that are in their realm of impact and influence. She also suggested that each subcommittee include the Strategic Plan as an agenda item in their next meeting. T. Vannucci pointed out that there are not measurement tools and recommended metrics to measure the success of the Commission in meeting goals. L. Mauldin explained that the Commission has slowly been working towards prioritizing the deliverables by

labeling them long-, mid-, near- term projects but that improvement could be made. E. Kane explained that if the Commission wants to make changes to the Plan, it needs to be adopted by resolution by City Council. She says it is possible to change, but not easy. She also explained that this document is especially important to plan MAPS spending.

NEXT MEETING - May 13, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

N. Schofield made motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by T. Vannucci
All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 4:09pm