

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMISSION

Minutes for October

Video Conference Meeting

Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 6:00 pm | 2 hours | (UTC-06:00) Mountain Time (US & Canada)

- **Call to order.**
 - a. 6:03pm
 - b. Present: Ana Valles (Chair), Elaine Lee, Karen Jorgensen, Mary Mollicone, Chelsea Minter-Brindley, Margaret Norwood, Vanessa Fraizer
 - c. Not Present: Amy Cheslin, Shana Thompson
- **Assign notetaker for monthly Council memo.**
 - a. Karen Volunteers
- **Adopt meeting agenda.**
 - b. Margaret Moves, Mary seconds, no objections.
- **Public comments**
- **Action item**
 - a. Attendance
 - i. Shana Thompson has missed more meetings than allowed. Ana and Roberta tried to reach out to her and expected her to show to Colfax Canvas and the 30th Anniversary Event but she did not reply or attend the events. She has not submitted a resignation letter, so the commission will have to vote to have her removed.
 - ii. Margaret moves to start the process to remove Shana from the commission, Mary seconds, unanimous.
- **Staff report**
 - a. 30th Anniversary
 - i. The event was everything that Roberta hoped it would be.
 - b. Courthouse Art Selection Panel
 - i. We held our first art selection panel and are working up the first draft of the call and hope to get it posted next week. Mary represented the commission. Mary says that it was a great group with a lot of expertise. One person was unable to make it, a citizen from Ward VI.
 - c. Liberty View Apartments Dedication Ceremony
 - i. It is planned for November 9th at 11:30am. The artist is dealing with a run of COVID through his kids, so we're hoping he will be able to complete it on time so the event can be before Veterans Day.
 - d. Wayfinding Tour Update
 - i. We had requested some tweaking of the signs, some were not straight, some were in the wrong place. We are working with The Planning Department Urban Renewal because they are coordinating. We ask that the commissioners scan the

QR codes to make sure they work and see where they go. This allows us to collect data on how people are accessing the public art collection.

- e. 5 Year Master Plan Update
 - i. We are supposed to present to the Public Relations Communications Policy Committee at the November meeting, which falls on the day before Thanksgiving. Typically, they move it up a week or two and have the meeting then. But this year there are City Council elections, so Midori is trying to work with Deputy Director, Laura Perry, if this impacts our presentation. There is some chance that the presentation can be delayed until January. If changes or notes are made then, we will deal with them then. We are not anticipating any problems.
- f. Aurora Arts Plan
 - i. This is the arts plan developed through the Cultural Affairs Commission and Midori is coming to the December meeting to present to the AIPP Commission so that we may understand the overarching goals.
- **Items from Chair**
 - a. Retreat Planning
 - i. In previous years, we have split it, a few hours at the Commission meeting on Wednesday and a couple hours on Saturday. We will talk about the Master Plan and what the year is going to look like/what we want to work on and prioritize. We will select the Chair as well. Retreat Date will be January 3rd and 3-4 hours on the 6th. The Saturday meeting would be in person.
 - b. Council and City Leadership Contacts
 - i. We need to assign one of the liaisons for the new commissioners. Amy has City Managers, Deputy City Managers and Ward I. We have three people listed as Ward III, Vanessa, Elaine, and Margaret. Karen attends Ward IV meetings. Chelsea will be liaison for Ward VI. This may need to be revised after the elections. Margaret will send notes for Ward III. Karen will take over Havana BID.
- **Items from Commission**
 - a. Report from Liaisons
 - i. Cultural Affairs Commission
 - 1. Vanessa, no report.
 - ii. Havana BID
 - 1. Margaret, did not go.
 - iii. ACAD
 - 1. Margaret, no meeting this month, the next is Devour Arts Event.
 - iv. Art + Business Connection
 - 1. Ana, September meeting was an Aurora Highlands Art tour, and the October was about Rebel Marketplace.
 - v. BACA
 - 1. Amy, not present
- **Next Meeting and agenda items**
 - a. Date: November 1
- **Good news**

- **Collect volunteer hours and contacts**
- **Adjournment**
 - a. 7:16pm

X *Ana Valles*

Ana Valles
Chair

X *Roberta Bloom*

Roberta Bloom
Cultural Services Manager and Public Art Su...

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