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Portland Public Art Committee

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Portland Public Library, Room 3

Attendance: Lin Lisberger, Chair, Julia Kirby, Vice-Chair, James Cradock, Jenna Crowder, Christopher Devlin, Penny Harris, Tony Muench, Corey Templeton. Staff: Caitlin Cameron. Not in attendance: Alison Hildreth, Pandora LaCasse, Councilor Jill Duson

Call to Order 4:02pm

Approve Minutes from June 15, 2016. Harris, Cradock, unanimous (6-0) approval (Kirby, Muench, Hildreth, LaCasse, Duson absent).

[Kirby arrives 4:05pm]

[Muench arrives 4:08pm]

Public Meeting Acrobatic Dogs Relocation: PPAC is holding a public meeting regarding the relocation of the Acrobatic Dogs from the library to the Jetport. No members of the public present, no public comment. The PPAC recommended that the *Acrobatic Dogs* sculpture be relocated from the Portland Public Library to the Portland International Jetport [Cradock, Harris 8-0]. The library has requested an MOU with the City for the public artwork.

Project Reports

Langlais: Kirby has not been able to see the Burbank installation, site is still under renovation. *Puffin* lighting is still being designed, waiting for lighting plan. Library no longer wants the 6 abstracts for Peaks branch – Jack Soley is going to work with them on that proposal.

Art in Our Front Yard: Possible presentations include *Portland Brick*, conservation work. Harris is trying to reach John Raimundi; Lisberger is trying to reach Vivian Beer. CTN is working on the Jetport videos. The Vimeo account is now active for hosting videos.

Art Underfoot: No update on the memorial. Four replacement bricks were installed. Lisberger noticed two additional bricks are missing; proposed two memorial bricks to replace. Cameron suggested consulting with artist about preference for replacements.

Portland Brick: Sign and final 3 bricks have been installed. Final payment issued.

Gazebo: Cameron reported that the Parks Department has removed the gazebo.

Maintenance and Conservation:

Conservation: Contract is signed; waiting to hear from Taggart about schedule. Lincoln Park Fountain phases 1 and 2 were added to this conservation contract. Kirby suggested possible Art in Our Front Yard that features conservation.

Loring Memorial: Contract is executed; installation should happen in August.

Woodfords Corner: Two public meetings to be held in August to review concepts.

Room 24: Kirby was able to get approval from City Manager's office to cover cost of printing and framing the artwork. Hunts Photos will print; Casco Bay Frames will frame. Templeton reminded the group that 22 images need to be narrowed to 20 – PPAC decision was to remove one Longfellow image and one *Our Lady of Victories* historic image. Kirby proposed creating a sign and labels for each work. Kirby asked what the title of the collection will be.

Subcommittee Reports

Governance Subcommittee: Devlin reviewed guideline revisions. Some additional revisions were suggested by committee. Cameron will confirm whether Council approval is required for artist selection. Harris agreed it is not appropriate for Council to make that kind of decision. Muench added that there is a Council representative on the committee just for that reason.

Communication Subcommittee:

Website: Cradock updated the status of the Vimeo account and reported that the City is not able to host the PPAC website therefore the PPAC will need to pay for the new hosting. Cradock will get a revised quote for the PPAC and Portland Brick websites to be hosted. Cradock further reported that the website traffic is lower by 30% compared to last year. Lisberger asked the status of the temporary art page and how to turn it on so it is publicly viewable. Cameron proposed City staff might be able to create an external map for Portland Brick – need the images and audio files.

Site Selection Subcommittee:

The Congress Square Art Selection: The public forum will be Monday, August 8th where the four finalists will present their work. They will also be interviewed and the subcommittee will present their recommendation to the full PPAC at the August 17th meeting.

Gifts Subcommittee:

Glimpse: June LaCombe's gift was accepted by Council 7/6/16. Templeton will take more images of the work.

Farnsworth Proposed Gift: The Farnsworth is offering two sculptures from its collection. Lisberger commented that the dog artwork is not eligible for the Jetport because it does not meet the criteria. The other work has been restored once already, Lisberger will distribute that 2006 report to the committee. Kirby is leaning against accepting the gift but would like to review the report.

Other Business

Electrical Box Competition: PPAC members will review 12 applications this week.

Strategic Plan: Cameron suggested that the strategic plan should be updated in the near future. Kirby suggested using one of the PPAC meetings to work on this. Cameron suggested designating a meeting in the fall for this activity.

Adjourn at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Caitlin Cameron