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PORTLAND PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

4:00 PM Remote meeting via Zoom

1. Zoom Meeting Information

2. Call to Order

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- Roll call
- Approve Minutes from July 20, 2022

3. Project Reports

- A. **Congress Square Park (King, Lipton): UPDATE:** Sarah Sze Studio provided a revised budget to proceed into Phase 2 of the construction documentation phase. Next steps are to finalize the contract in coordination with the artist and Corporate Counsel.

Gathering Stones (King, Lipton, Berke): PPAC acquisition into permanent location at Fish Point along the Eastern Promenade Trail, total acquisition amount is \$57,500. PPAC encumbered \$30,000 towards acquisition within FY22 budget, the remaining balance of \$30,000 in the FY23 budget to include the cost for permanent installation outlined in FY22 annual report for Council review and approval. Contract for Jesse Salisbury shall be finalized upon acceptance by Council of FY23 budget tentatively in October.

Passing the Torch (King, Berke): PPAC voted to approve cost proposal for (2) signage elements attached to installed boulders at the USM Roundabout. Exact location, schedule, description of artwork, and installation detailing of scaled sculpture donated by artist Mark Pettegrow.

Bramhall Square Redesign (King, Whipple): Artist Chris Miller received contract to proceed into design development phase.

Conservation (King): Jonathan Taggart (JT).

- **NEW ITEM:** Jewel Box at Congress Street at Center Street was vandalized over the summer with abrasive graffiti that etched the glass. VOTE to utilize conservation funds to replace glass panel and address additional etching observed.

- Cleeves Memorial fence is still outstanding pending Police department investigation. Jonathan Taggart to submit final treatment proposal for later committee review.
- PPAC has prioritized conservation for Plourde's *Untitled- Armillary*. Jonathan Taggart provided a treatment proposal for conservation of Plourde's *Untitled- Armillary*, totaling \$15,500 which recommends scaffold staging, cleaning, painting, materials and administration. PPAC committee to proceed with FY22 conservation funds of \$10,000 and allocate remaining funds of \$5,500 within proposed FY23 budget. Next steps to finalize contract with conservator and Corporate Counsel.

4. Subcommittee Reports

A. Governance/Board Development Subcommittee (Lipton)

- **NEW ITEM:** City staff has drafted guidelines specific to temporary paintings in city roadways and will meet with Department of Public Works September 29th to finalize to include within FY22 Annual Report and FY 23 budget for Council review tentatively in October.

Communications Subcommittee (Lipton, Seshachar, Berke)

- PPAC website updates:
 1. Additions to permanent collection: Art Under Foot images and addition of photos and content to the follow collection: Andrew Schoultz mural '*Hope, Try, Do, Work, Dream*', Bernard Langlais '*Untitled Abstractions*', Mark Pettegrow '*Passing the Torch*', Ploudre '*Pinecone*'.
 2. Contact photographer, Corey Templeton, to inventory latest collection for website.
- Jim Cradock website hosting company to begin hosting the Portland Public Art and Portland Bricks websites for the future. Invoiced and paid from PPAC Contingency funds.

Site Selection Subcommittee (Seshachar, Lipton)

5. Other Business

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- Temporary Art Coordinator Austen Torres Davis, Planner in Planning & Urban Development. Contact information: austentd@portlandmaine.gov (207) 874-8632.
 - **UPDATE: TempoArts (Lipton, Davis)** hosted Late Summer's Night Dream on September 9th to showcase poetry with Pamela Moulton's *Every Tree Tells a Story*.
 - **UPDATE: Friends of Congress Square Park (Dennehy, Davis)** – Sidney Sanchez's *Count Our Mischiefs* has experienced damage by wind and the artist will evaluate replacement or removal.
 - **NEW ITEM: St. Peter Festival Committee (Hancock, Davis)** - Temporary art review panel approved permit for crosswalk painting at the intersection of India Street & Federal Street.

- **NEW ITEM: Indigo Art Alliance (Dennehy, Davis)** – Refresh *Black is Beautiful* roadway mural application received. Review panel scheduled September 21st with Sharon Dennehy representing PPAC.

- Vacancy of PPAC chair (**Lipton, Berke**)

Next Meeting - October 19, 2022