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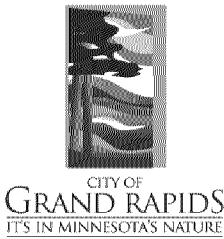
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, June 5, 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a regular meeting of the Arts & Culture Commission will be held in Conference Room 2B at City Hall, 420 N Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota 55744 on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 3:45 pm.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Public Input
3. Setting the Agenda
4. Correspondence
5. Approve the following minutes: **Regular Meeting April 3, 2018**
6. Financials: **Current revenue/expenditure report**
7. Artist in Residence
8. Old Business
 - Cool & Creative Grant update
 - Utility Box Wraps
9. New Business
 - Relay of Voices
10. Announcements
11. Set Agenda For Next Meeting: **Tuesday, July 3, 2018**
12. Adjourn



*CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
CONFERENCE ROOM 2B – GRAND RAPIDS CITY HALL
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018 – 3:45 PM*

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof the regular meeting of the Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission was held in Conference Room 2B of the Grand Rapids City Hall, 420 N Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota, on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at 3:45 pm.

Call of Roll: On a Call of Roll, the following members were present: John Connelly, David Dobbs, Anne-Marie Erickson, Harry Smith, Kayla Schubert, Myrna Peterson and Kathy Dodge. Absent: Sonja Merrild, David Marty

Staff Present: Amy Dettmer, Kim Gibeau

Setting the Agenda:

- Announcements: Relay of Voices

Motion by Commissioner Smith, second by Commissioner Schubert to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: None.

Approval of Minutes: April 3, 2018 Regular Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Dodge, second by Commissioner Dobbs to approve the minutes of April 3, 2018 as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Financials: Reviewed and acknowledged financial statement.

Artist in Residence:

- Commissioner Dodge reviewed revised Memo of Understanding for Artist in Residence. Community Development Director, Rob Mattei, has reviewed and returned the M.O.U., acknowledging the following changes: the word “Old” has been revised to “Historic” in the title of Central School, keys will be returned to designated Commission representative and number of artists that can be accommodated in the space provided has been increased from four (4) artists to five (5).

Commissioner Erickson arrived at 3:51 PM.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, second by Commissioner Dobbs to accept revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding for Artist in Residence and forward to the City Council with a recommendation to approve. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Discussed proposed Lead Artist proposal, noting that City Administrator and City Clerk have expressed concerns over the process and responsibilities of such a position. After consideration, the Commission does not intend to move forward at this time.

Progress Reports:

- Commissioner Connelly provided overview of his meeting with Barb at Silvertip Graphics and was advised that the pictures supplied would not be sufficient for the Utility Box Wrapping project. Commissioner Smith discussed this project with Lilah Crowe at the Itasca County Historical Society (ICHS), and states that there are local historical photographs that could be used and a request can be made to Ms. Crowe asking for added text describing the photos. Using these to wrap utility boxes could help create a downtown theme by strategic placement, i.e. photos placed in the same vicinity of where the original was taken. Commissioner Schubert

requested that an inquiry be made to incorporate pictures of Native American interaction in Grand Rapids that may have been photographically documented and members agreed. Commissioner Dobbs agreed to work on the layout and bring back to the next meeting for review.

- Commissioner Dodge noted that money from the IRRR Grant will be used to fund permanent placement of winning poems, from a previous community poetry contest, in sidewalk near the Central School and complete banner project. Commission budgeted for 28 banners total, and the remaining balance will be paid by Public Works.

Old Business:

- **Forecast Public Art:** Commission members Merrild and Dobbs met with City staff to review revised proposal for art placement. After review, staff recommends that the Commission discuss current proposal, and forward to the City Council with a recommendation. Staff will schedule a discussion at the Council worksession on Monday, May 14, 2018, prior to submission for consideration.

Commissioner Dodge advised that she attended the Cool & Creative Event, where grant funds were available through application. After discussing the process with MacRostie Art Center Director, Katie Marshall, it was agreed that Ms. Marshall would apply for the grant on behalf of MacRostie and will then make a donation to the City up to \$3800 to be used for Forecast Public Art if awarded.

Following review of revised proposal, the Commission wants to clearly state that the Making it Public training will be open to all artists in the Grand Rapids area, not just within City limits; and amend the proposal to include items 1-3, 5. Item 4 will not be considered and items 6-7 will be moved to 2019.

Motion by Commissioner Dobbs, second by Commissioner Smith to forward Forecast Public Art proposal to the City Council for consideration, recommending approval with noted changes, a) removal of item #4, Public Forum in the amount of \$750.00; and b) items #6 & 7 will be left for future consideration in 2019 bringing the total amount to \$13,800 plus estimated \$2,000 for travel expenses for Forecast Public Art consultants. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Dodge provided overview of program "Relay of Voices," touring through various communities in the summer of 2019, collecting cultural data. The group will be choosing six individuals in each community to "shadow," listening to their stories and then bringing back a presentation at the conclusion of the tour. A Commission member could act as liaison with the tour group and provide periodic updates. Commissioner Marty is recommended, but in his absence, this will be brought back to the next meeting under new business.

Items for next agenda:

- New Business:
 - Relay of Voices
- Old Business:
 - Cool & Creative Grant update
 - Utility Box Wraps

In an effort to maintain transparency, items will be noticed under New Business or Old Business, including any progress reports from previous meetings.

Motion by Commissioner Erickson, second by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk