City of San Marcos

Regular Meeting
Arts Commission
March 20, 2019 5:30 p.m.
Grant Harris, Jr. Building Conference Room
401 E. Hopkins
San Marcos, Texas

I. Call to Order – Lela Holt called the meeting to order at 5:45pm.

II. Roll Call – Members present were Lela Holt, Stephanie Symmes, Amy Lou Cox, and Jamey Poole. Members absent were Dawn Stienecker, Russell Clark, and Priscilla Leder. Others present were Thomas Rogers from San Marcos High School Art Department. Staff present were Lisa Morris, Trey Hatt, and Sandy McKenzie. The three new members were not considered absent as they had not received the agenda and did not have positive confirmation that the meeting was scheduled.

III. 30 Minute Citizen Comment Period: Each speaker signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will be called in the order in which they signed-up. Each speaker will be provided up to three minutes to speak.

IV. Introduction of new Arts Commission members – Tabled until next meeting on April 17, 2019

MINUTES

1. Consider approval, by motion, of the February 20, 2019 meeting minutes. The minutes were read and Stephanie Symmes mentioned that the Splash Co-op is Splash Coworking (item 5), and on CTMC was not mentioned at all (item 5). Information was corrected and added to minutes. With a motion by Stephanie Symmes to approve the corrected minutes and a second by Amy Lou Cox, the motion to approve was passes unanimously. (4-0)

ACTION ITEMS

2. Hold elections of Arts Commission Chair and Vice Chair. Tabled until next meeting on 4-17-19.
3. Consider approval, by motion, of the Arts Commission’s mission statement. Tables until next meeting on 4-17-19.

4. Consider approval, by motion, of panel designs for the River Guardians art installation. Thomas Rogers from SMCISD HS Art Department was present. He brought the five final submissions for each of the six panels for the art project. The projects were all excellent and it was a tough decision for the commission. Lela Holt made the motion to choose the finalist listed below for each of the panels. Stephanie Symmes seconded the motion and all members were in favor, motion passed unanimously. (4-0). The finalist who will receive a $500.00 scholarship are:
   Jaguar – Sage Gonzales
   Wolf – Faith Vourhies
   Deer – Bryanna Wharton
   Eagle – Michaela Manriquez
   Water Bird – Isabella Elmore
   Creation Story – Leela Jackson
   Mr. Rogers mentioned that as soon as he has the funding the project will begin.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Hold discussion regarding the city’s definition of permanent art as stated in the City Code of Ordinances. Tabled until next meeting on 4-17-19.

REPORTS

6. Receive staff report on 2019 Arts Calendar updates – Trey opened the calendar on the smart board to show the commission. There is a listing and a calendar on the city website. As more items come in he will get them posted.

7. Receive staff update on Parks Master Plan – The Parks Master Plan has been approved by P&Z. The next step is to go to City Council for approval. After the MP is approved then the Arts Master Plan can begin. Lisa has talked to Dr. Ashford at Texas State and she feels that her department could take on the plan. Dr. Ashford will give her a proposal as to what they can do. This would be done as an interlocal agreement.

8. Receive staff update on proposed City Sponsored Events Policy – Lisa mentioned that this group has not met recently. With the budget process in the works it may be some time before this is visited again.

9. Receive update on Mural Arts Program – Lela gave the following information about the mural program:
   Iconic Village Mural – repaired and done.
TX State Mural – Talking to the group.
Papa John’s – Artist is traveling back and forth for parent, going to see if her friends can help her out. Not a rush on this.
East Side Conoco – Received 54 submissions from all over US. Each artist was to include previous work to the committee. The artist will work with the community to come up with the design. Trey provided thumb drives to the committee members and they are to choose their top 5 artists and from there the field will be narrowed down.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. Board Members may provide requests for discussion items for a future agenda in accordance with the board’s approved bylaws. No further discussion will be held related to topics proposed until they are posted on a future agenda in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. – All the tabled items need to return to the next agenda, the Arts Master Plan discussion and a discussion on the budget.

VI. Question and Answer Session with Press and Public.
This is an opportunity for the Press and Public to ask questions related to items on this agenda.

VII. Adjournment – Lela Holt made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Jamey Poole seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0)

The minutes from the March 20, 2019 meeting of the City of San Marcos, Art Commission are respectfully submitted on June 20, 2019 by

Sandy McKenzie, Administrative Coordinator

Approved by: