

**MEETING MINUTES
SIOUX FALLS VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION**

**October 18, 2016
9:00 a.m.**

Carnegie Town Hall 235 W 10th Street Sioux Falls SD

(Staff Liaison: Russ Sorenson: 367-8888)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Aleta Branson; Larry Crane; Zach DeBoer; Larry Ling (Chair);

MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Brummond (excused); Ivy Oland (excused); Sandra Pay (excused);

OTHERS PRESENT: Russ Sorenson - VAC Staff Liaison (City Planning Office)

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER & QUORUM DETERMINATION

Commission Chairperson, Larry Ling, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

ITEM 2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson, Larry Ling, welcomed the Commissioners.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA – October 18, 2016, meeting

Chairperson, Larry Ling, asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Commissioners expressed no changes to the regular meeting agenda. Commissioner Larry Crane made a motion to approve the regular agenda as presented. Commissioner Zach DeBoer seconded the motion. There were no further comments received. The motion to approve the regular agenda passed unanimously.

ITEM 4. REVIEW & ACTION on the August 16, 2016, Meeting Minutes

Chairperson, Larry Ling, requested a motion to approve the August 16, 2016 meeting minutes. Commissioner Larry Crane made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Aleta Bronson seconded the motion. There were no further comments received. The motion to approve the August 16, 2016 meeting minutes passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. REVIEW & ACTION on City-Owned Sculpture Placements and Maintenance

- a) Sculpture/Artwork Placement Subcommittee Update(s) and Recommendation(s) on City-Owned Sculptures
- 1) Dancing in the Wind – 2010 People's Choice Award; Washington Pavilion Paladino –Holm Sculpture Garden
Russ Sorenson, VAC Staff Liaison, presented an information packet that depicts the recent sculpture placement for *Dancing in the Wind* at the Washington Pavilion Paladino – Holm Sculpture Garden. Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the placement of the sculpture within the tall grass landscape area along the north side of the Pavilion and facing 11th Street. Russ will let the Commissioners know when a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Paladino–Holm Sculpture is rescheduled.

No further input from the public was received.

- 2) Daughters of Peace – 2012 People's Choice Award;
Russ Sorenson, VAC Staff Liaison, presented an information packet that depicts the three city-owned sculptures for placement consideration. Commissioners commented they want to focus efforts to place the three sculptures by the end of 2016. The city-owned sculptures need to be located on city-owned properties.

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Relative to Daughters of Peace, the Sculpture Placement Subcommittee recognizes this sculpture needs an indoor location due to its fragility. The Commissioners requested Russ to contact the Downtown Main Library to inquire about indoor placement there.

No further input from the public was received.

- 3) Sunday with Jessie – 2015 People's Choice Award;
Relative to Sunday with Jessie, Russ commented there are two existing vacant quartzite pedestals located at the southwest and northeast corners of 6th Street and Phillips Avenue. However, the tops of both pedestals are too small to accommodate this particular sculpture. Commissioners requested Russ to contact L G Everest to determine their interest to swap out one of the pedestals for a larger pedestal.

No further input from the public was received.

- 4) In Variete Concordia Sculpture Update:
Russ Sorenson, staff liaison, informed the Commissioners that since the last month's Commission meeting, the City Attorneys Office has not heard from the artist. Russ mentioned that he has made inquiry with the city's Orpheum Theater Board staff liaison and the facility's management company representative (SMG) about placing the four cranes within the Orpheum Theater's outdoor courtyard plaza area and is awaiting a response.

There were no further comments received, and no further actions were taken by the Commission.

ITEM 6. SIOUX FALLS ARTS COUNCIL UPDATES - (Sandra Pay, Sioux Falls Arts Council representative)

- a) Cultural Plan Implementation
- b) Other?

There were no updates provided since Sioux Falls Arts Council representative and VAC Commissioner, Sandra Pay, was not present.

One of the Commissioners commented he would like to know more about the leadership status for the Sioux Falls Arts Council and that organization's search for an executive director. Another Commissioner expressed interest to have some of the VAC members attend a future meeting of the Sioux Falls Arts Council or perhaps have a joint meeting together.

Russ Sorenson acknowledged the Commissioners requests and stated that he would inform Sandra Pay about them.

No further input from the public was received.

ITEM 7. COMMISSION PROJECT UPDATES

- a) Public Art Integration Research Findings and Discussion (Larry Crane)
Commissioner Larry Crane commented the subcommittee consisting of VAC members - Aleta Branson, Zach DeBoer, and himself, would be conducting their initial meeting on Friday, October 21, 2016 @ 11:00 am, at the Perspective Architects Office. Larry Crane mentioned the focus would be to: gather additional data from other cities (ie: Fargo ND) as to how they incorporate art into a community process; review successful private and municipal funding strategies and opportunities; and then provide subcommittee recommendations in the form of a DRAFT policy statement and checklist form that can be used as tools for the integration of community artistic elements in city projects. The recommendations would be shared with the VAC for their review and recommendation(s) to other City Departments, and eventually to the Mayor and City Council. Larry Crane also mentioned that he would like to visit further with Kara Dirkson, Executive Director of the Visual Arts Center at the Washington Pavilion. Last month, Commissioner Ivy Oland suggested the Commissioners review the City of Fargo ND arts link. Link provided below.

Commissioner Zach DeBoer encouraged commissioners to check out Lanesboro MN, a small town that received the 2014 Bush Prize for Community Innovation. Link provided below.

Staff Note:

City of Fargo ND Link (by Ivy Oland) is -

<https://www.cityoffargo.com/CityInfo/BoardsandCommissions/ArtsandCultureCommission.aspx>

City of Lanesboro MN Link (by Zach DeBoer) is -

<https://www.bushfoundation.org/grantees/lanesboro-arts-center-30685>

No further input from the public was received.

- b) Update on 2016 Maintenance Program for City-owned Sculptures
1. Bacchus; 2. Our World; 3. CommUnity Youth Mosaic Wall;

Russ Sorenson, staff liaison, explained that Rosa Lowinger and Associates (RLA), the city's art conservator consultant, completed their visual art inspections, assessments and maintenance practices for the city's artworks inventory. A treatment report for the recent maintenance work performed has been submitted by the art conservator consultant. In addition, the repairs and maintenance for "Bacchus" and "Our World" sculptures have been completed and reinstallation is scheduled for Friday, October 21, 2016. Russ Sorenson also noted the 2016 maintenance for the "CommUnity Youth Mosaic Wall", including the resetting of the capstones for Phase I (west end of the wall), has been completed.

No further input from the public was received.

- c) Website Updates - Completed

ITEM 8. PUBLIC INPUT

No further input from the public was received.

ITEM 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 9:00 am., Carnegie Town Hall, 235 W 10th Street

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Visual Arts Commission meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

HANDOUTS – October 18, 2016 Meeting

- o October 18, 2016 Agenda
- o August 16, 2016 Meeting Minutes
- o Sculpture Placements
- o Public Art Integration
- o 2016 Work Program