

SIOUX FALLS VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION  
VIDEO CONFERENCE MEETING

Tuesday, April 20, 2021  
9:00 am

WebEx Video Conference Meeting  
Sioux Falls, SD

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**MEETING MINUTES**

**ITEM 1. (6:00) Call to Order and Quorum Determination** The meeting was called to order at 9:06am by Chairperson James Zaicek

Member Participants: James Zajicek, Mike Jamison, Joe Schaeffer, Kellen Boice, and Zach DeBoer and Sara Lum.

Members Absent: Keith Lapour

Other Participants: None

**ITEM 2. Welcome Members and Guests:** No guests participated in the meeting

**ITEM 3. Approval of Regular Agenda (6:24)**

Commissioner Jamison made a motion to approve the regular agenda, Commissioner DeBoer seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved.

**ITEM 4. Approval of Minutes from March 16, 2021 Meeting (6:40)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jamison and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Schaffer to approve the March 16, 2021 meeting minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**ITEM 5. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items: (7:17)**

No public was in attendance at the meeting to provide input.

**ITEM 6. Unfinished Business (7:24)**

- a) **Review of Mural Ordinance** - Approved by City Council on April 6, 2021 with an effective date of April 30, 2021. Commissioner DeBoer requested a final copy of the ordinance. Diane discussed a draft of the guidelines and registration for VAC to review mural applications and recommendations to the Director. Commissioner Boice, DeBoer and Zajicek replied that artists will not want to wait a month or more for VAC to make recommendations to the Director. Commissioner Jamison and Schaffer stated that they could be available to assist and have a conversation with the Director but it does not need to be a formal review by the VAC. Commission Lum stated that once this was part of the ordinance that she assumed that someone within the Planning Department would assist the Director with review for signage. Commissioner Boice stated her understanding was that VAC would not be reviewing murals to determine what is or isn't art, only signage. Ultimately, the ordinance is only to determine if a proposed mural is advertising. Commission Zajicek informed Diane that the VAC worked on the registration form at a previous meeting with Shawna and provided a copy for review. Commissioner DeBoer asked that if a mural is denied then VAC would want to review it. A Working Session will be scheduled for Tuesday, April 27 at 5:30 to review the Mural Ordinance and Registration Application with the Director present.
- b) **Letter of Advocacy for Art Maintenance Budget (36:04)**  
Diane reported that the letter of advocacy from the VAC was sent to the mayor by Director Jeff Eckhoff on March 17. Following that, the City Council will review the art maintenance budget request in June and July with final budget approval in September. Commissioner Zajicek asked if there were any comments regarding the letter. Diane replied that the Director received the letter favorably. Diane will review RLA's list of artwork requiring maintenance to see how many projects can be addressed with the \$75,000 maintenance budget in the first year.

**ITEM 7. New Business (38:04)**

a) **Sculpture placement for location discussion**

Commissioner Boice reported that if VAC is going to recommend placement for a sculpture like *Bear Lee Standing* at Great Bear how can we improve the process to make sure the artwork doesn't incur damage or maintenance issues due to the elements in which is located?. The application could be improved to explicitly identify the recommended placement. VAC should also consider recommending sculpture for indoor locations if it's materials are not sustainable outdoors during inclement weather. Commissioner Jamison noted that with the maintenance budget VAC should be more responsible and that a conversation with SculptureWalk might need to happen to let them know that for the People's Choice sculpture, VAC may only be allowed to accept certain pieces based on the materials for indoor or outdoor placement. Commissioner Zajicek recommended including the discussion for the application at a future working session.

**ITEM 8. Other Business (47:45)**

a) **Sculpture Placement Updates**

Sculpture *Under Construction* that is currently located in front of City Center will be moved to the lobby of Outdoor Campus on or before Friday, April 30. City Street Department will assist with the move. *Jake on Bass* will be moved on Saturday May 1 from it's current location on Phillips Avenue and relocated to the City Center building during the first week of May. Commissioner Zajicek asked that the VAC be informed of when the *Under Construction* sculpture is being moved to the Outdoor Campus so one of the commissioners could attend the relocation. Diane will notify them when the Street Department picks it up for the move. Commissioner DeBoer asked what the status is of the sculpture *Sea Dream* is since it's been removed from Fort Sod. Commissioner DeBoer would like it to remain downtown and not at a golf course. Commissioner Boice mentioned that with the new ice skating rink going in at Falls

Park West, if *Sea Dream* would be a good fit to be located there. Additional discussion about placement at a golf course continued. Commissioner Schaeffer recommended that VAC come up with a solution before saying “no” to a golf course.  
Diane will research information for an update.

b) **Sioux Falls Arts Council Update – DT Art Box Project (54:18)**

Commissioner Boice reported that she has received 45 artbox artist submissions with another week and a half before the deadline. The jury request has been sent out to include, Commisisoners Zajicek, Schaeffer, Lum and Jamison for the VAC. Commissioner Boice is contacting other organizations for additional jury members.

Commissioners Lum and Schaeffer signed off the meeting at 9:54.

**ITEM 9. Announcements**

a) **Up Coming Meetings Visual Arts Commission**

DT Art Box Jury, May 14 @ 9:00 am. VAC Jury Members: Commissioners Shaeffer, Jamison, Zajicek and Lum.

Regular meeting May 18, 2021.

Storm Drain Artwork VAC Jury, May 18 following regular VAC meeting

b) **SculptureWalk 2021**

De-installation: May 1

Installation: May 15

**ITEM 10. Adjournment (59:30)**