

SIOUX FALLS VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION

Tuesday, December 21, 2021
9:00 am

City Center, 231 N. Dakota Ave., Conference Room #208
Sioux Falls, SD
WebEx Video Conference Meeting (optional)

MEETING ASSISTANCE: UPON REQUEST, ACCOMMODATIONS FOR MEETINGS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. PLEASE CONTACT THE HUMAN RELATIONS OFFICE, FIRST FLOOR, CITY HALL, 224 WEST 9TH STREET, SIOUX FALLS, SD AT 367-8745 (VOICE) OR 367-7039 (TDD) 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

ITEM 1. Call to Order and Quorum Determination. Chairperson James Zajicek called the meeting to order at 9:04am.

Member Participants: James Zajicek, and Kellen Boice, attended the meeting in person. Mike Jamison, Sara Lum and Zach DeBoer joined the meeting via phone. Joe Schaffer was absent (excused)

Other Participants: Sarah Goth, Washington Pavilion, Cody Henrichs, Washington Pavilion and Brandon Hanson with Sculpture Walk and Kevin Smith, Assist. Director; Diane deKoeyer, Arts Liaison for the City of Sioux Falls.

ITEM 2. Welcome Members and Guests: No guests present

ITEM 3. Approval of Regular Agenda: Commissioner Lum made the motion to approve the regular agenda and Commissioner Boice seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved.

ITEM 4. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2021 Regular Meeting: Commissioner Boice made the motion to approve the minutes and Commissioner Jamison seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

ITEM 5: Public Input on Non-Agenda Items: No public was in attendance at the meeting to provide input.

ITEM 6. New Business:

a) Presentation of 2022 Sculpture Walk

- i. Brandon Hanson, Director of Museums, Washington Pavilion introduced Sarah Goth and Cody Henrichs, and provided the following comments for SW and relocating some of the sculpture this year due to to the Phillips Ave. reconstruction between Eighth Street and Tenth Street that will begin late

winter/early spring, Sculpture Walk de-installation of existing art and installation of new will be moved in late March.

- Due to the street reconstruction, approximately twenty quartzite bases will need to be relocated. Regan Smith, President of the SW board reported after the meeting that SW hires a contractor to move the bases and that due to the street construction this year, the project would cover some of the additional costs for moving bases.
 - Sixty-five sculptures will be installed in 2022. More sculptures will be located further north on Phillips Avenue.
 - Commissioner Boice noted that DTSF has a counter that could provide information on where more pedestrian traffic is on Main Avenue to help locate sculpture for higher visibility.
 - The SW board is interested in sustainability for artwork due to our winter weather and the effects it has on various sculpture materials.
 - The SW jury is leaning toward stainless steel and bronze sculptures due to the quality and durability of the materials and the year-round exposure.
- ii. On overview of the Pavilion's first year running Sculpture Walk, Brandon's team reviewed the following:
- Since this is the first year for the Pavilion managing SW, they are learning as much as they can about the program and are open to suggestions for improvement.
 - Chair Zajcek asked if there is anything that the VAC can do to help with SW, that they are available.

Commissioner Jamison made the recommendation for approval of the 2022 Sculpture Walk. Commissioner Boice seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

b) Sioux Falls Arts Council Update by Kellen Boice, Executive Director.

Commissioner Boice reported that they received \$60,000 from the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation (SFACF) for a micro grant program to support artists financially to purchase materials, continuing education, work compensation and misc. (information provided from the 2022 SFAC Work Plan and Funding Request).

- i. The first-year of the three-year micro grant program will be to rollout the program and select the first eleven applicants.
- ii. The application process will roll-over rather than artists having to apply repeatedly.

c) Art Opportunity at City Center

Commissioners discussed previous locations for art placement. Due to the location of the City Center wall, it isn't a high traffic area for the public to view art.

ITEM 7. Unfinished Business

a) Jake on Bass Sculpture, placement ideas

- i. Levitt at the Falls – the Board of Directors, Executive Director Nancy Halverson and Director of Communications and Community Engagement Rose Ann

Hofland, were all receptive to locating Jake on Bass at the Levitt. Included in the packet was a recommended location for placement which the VAC agreed to, but would like to review which direction Jake would be facing at the January meeting. Diane will take photos of the site for further placement suggestions and discussion.

- ii. Humane Society – Diane left a voicemail with them, but did not hear back regarding placement of Jake on Bass at their facility.
- iii. Augustana University – this is a private university so placement here is not recommended.

b) Sculpture Cost Information from Bronze Age

- i. In 2023 the VAC could make a recommendation of increasing the purchase price of sculptures from the current \$20,000 to \$25,000.

ITEM 8. Announcements

a) Up-coming Project Reviews and VAC Meetings

- i. Kevin Smith reported that the Downtown Plan will be updated in 2022 and will identify expansion of Sixth and Eighth Avenues to Cliff and also Weber Avenue.
- ii. Mike Patten with Parks & Recreation will attend the March meeting to include the VAC as a stakeholder group to the Falls Park masterplan
- iii. January 18, 2022, Room 208
- iv. No working session in January

ITEM 9. Adjournment: 10:13am