MINUTES CITY OF DENTON PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE

July 5, 2018

After determining that a quorum was present, the Public Art Committee of the City of Denton, Texas, convened on Thursday, July 5, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Work Session Room, 215 East McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, 76201.

PRESENT: Monet Franklin, Ed Steele, Gerry Veeder, Brian Wheeler, Georgina Ngozi,

and Michelle Lynn

STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Langley, Caroline Booth, Michelle Cunningham, Christina Davis

and Michelle Coughlin

A. PAC18-024

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and make recommendation regarding a repair and replacement schedule for Public Art Murals.

Per the request of the Public Art Committee (PAC) at the February 2, 2018 PAC meeting, Cunningham presented information regarding the repair and replacement schedule of four murals in the inventory of public artwork.

There was discussion regarding the repair schedule for two of the four murals as they were commissioned by Keep Denton Beautiful (KDB). A question was asked: "Who pays for clean-up of these particular murals when graffiti happens?" Booth answered and said that Community Improvement pays for removal of the graffiti.

The topic of murals led to a discussion regarding temporary art guidelines. Wheeler mentioned the PAC had previously established temporary art guidelines, however; the guidelines were not in place when KDB designed and paid for the two murals. KDB had already started the process for the painting of the murals, the PAC entered into the middle of the process.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the PAC requested that staff bring back further research information related to other cities' policies for temporary art. The PAC noted that before new policy guidelines are established, including repair and maintenance guidelines, they would like to expound on the definition of what is considered "temporary art" and what specific guidelines should pertain to the various forms of "temporary art".

B. PAC18-025

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding potential sites for the relocation of the November Devil sculpture located near the northeast corner of Locust and Hickory.

Cunningham opened the discussion by sharing with the committee information related to the challenges that are posed with the structure of this particular public work of art.

Cunningham then presented to the committee a list of public sites that are available presently in the City as options for relocating the November Devil piece. The Industrial Street Pocket Park was discussed as being as a potential relocation site due to the capital improvement project that Parks and Recreation is planning.

Langley asked if the PAC wants to consider moving the piece independently, or if the PAC is considering moving the piece when they have a new art piece to take its place?

In order to assist in answering Langley's question, Wheeler gave background information for those new to the PAC. Wheeler mentioned the topic of moving the November Devil was suggestion by a committee member who is no longer a member of the PAC.

Wheeler suggested that if the decision is made by the PAC to move the piece he would like the PAC to consult with the artist, David Isles. Wheeler explained the reason for his recommendation is to ask for the artist's input as to where the piece would best be relocated, a location that would add more meaning to the piece.

After the discussion the PAC chose not to expense the move, as there is no pressing need to move the piece at this time.

Steele made a motion not to move the November Devil. Lynn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

C. PAC18-026

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the draft guidelines for art and artist selection as specified in the Public Art Policy.

Davis presentation information regarding the draft guidelines for art and artist selection as specified in the Public Art Policy.

Davis brought forward draft guidelines, as requested by the PAC at a previous committee meeting. The PAC recommended that staff research other cities' public art policies and bring back a draft of a Public Art Policy for their review and recommendations.

The PAC agreed the draft policy, as presented, was a reasonable approach. The PAC recommended that staff bring the policy back to the committee for a vote at the next meeting.

D. PAC18-027 Consider approval of the minutes of the June 7, 2018 meeting

Steele made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2018 meeting as presented. Lynn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by a vote of 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.