City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes - Draft
Art Advisory Board

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 **6:00 PM** **City Hall Room 244**

1. Call to Order

Chair Namack called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 4 - Chair Namack, Board Member Parkinson, Board Member Gozion and Board Member Fritz

Absent 3 - Vice Chair Mannino, Board Member Loos and Board Member Pearson

Also Present

Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Laura Ansel, Recreation Manager Shelby Mendelson, Assistant City Clerk Adrian Jianelli, and Recording Secretary Susan Hale

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Approval of Minutes

A. 23-0144 Approval of Minutes for the December 13, 2022 Art Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Board Member Parkinson, seconded by Board Member Fritz, to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

6. Presentation

A. 23-0149 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding a Proposed Memorial Sculpture as Requested by Ms. Eva Rathgeber

Chair Namack introduced the item and stated Ms. Rathgeber was unable to attend the meeting and Ms. Ansel will follow-up.

7. New Business

A. 23-0153 Assistant City Clerk Adrian Jianelli: Chair/Vice Chair Training

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Ms. Jianelli provided training including Understanding Your Role, Your Responsibility to Understand, Chair's Do's and Don'ts, Vice Chair's Do's and Don'ts, Meeting Procedures, Knowing Your Board, and Municode.

B. 23-0152 Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Namack introduced the item and stated nominations were in order for the office of Chair.

Board Member Parkinson nominated Wendy Namack as Chair.

Chair Namack queried if there were any further nominations. Without objection, the nominations were closed and a vote was taken.

The nomination of Wendy Namack as Chair carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Chair Namack introduced the item and stated nominations were in order for the office of Vice Chair.

Board Member Parkinson nominated David Mannino as Vice Chair.

Chair Namack queried if there were any further nominations. Without objection, the nominations were closed and a vote was taken.

The nomination of David Mannino as Vice Chair carried unanimously on a voice vote.

C. 22-3857 Approval of the Art Board Meeting Schedule for 2023

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Discussion ensued regarding the dates and times and modifying the schedule as needed during the year.

A motion was made by Board Member Gozion, seconded by Board Member Fritz, to approve the 2023 Meeting Schedule as amended, to move the February 14, 2023 meeting to February 7, 2023. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

8. Unfinished Business

A. 22-3173 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Painting the City's Utility Boxes

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel provided an update including the request to meet with City staff, pending date, and Board Member Mannino being project manager.

There was a consensus to keep Item No. 22-3173 on future agendas.

B. 22-3174 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the City's 65th Anniversary and Community of Unity Themed Project

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Discussion ensued regarding the Wellen Park mural project, mirroring a national art project, providing specific instructions, location, panels vs tiles, participant registration, recognizing individuals and groups, and posting participant names.

Ms. Ansel spoke to costs, dates, City Commission presentation, business donations, sponsorships, paint, substrate condition, performances, music, steps of completion, and no Call to Artists.

There was a consensus to continue Item No. 22-3174 to the next meeting.

C. 22-3874 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Placement of Artwork Near Walgreen's in Heron Creek.

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel provided a review including a memo from the City Attorney, advertising a Call to Artists, the platform and lighting remaining on the corner, and Arts in Public Places fund balance.

Discussion ensued regarding an alternate location, partnering to subsidize costs, monetary efforts, Heron Creek future development, Commission update, outdoor art weathering, cost factors, artwork in Sarasota, budget constraints, investigating options, and the scope of work.

There was a consensus to request that City Staff present to the Art Advisory Board the Art in Public Places account process and the obligations of developers according to City Code.

There was a consensus to determine if the placement of the Spoonbill sculpture on City Hall's second floor fulfills the obligation for the Heron Creek development.

There was a consensus to determine if it is possible to do a Public Private Partnership (P3) with public art through the Board.

D. 23-0150 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Commission's Direction Pertaining to a Mural at the Community Education Center

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel provided a review including art placement on the Community Education Center building, distributing a previous Call to Artists, and procuring an artist directly.

Discussion ensued regarding soliciting a local artist.

There was a consensus to solicit a local artist to oversee the project, to provide a $5,000 stipend, and to solicit volunteer labor.

Discussion continued regarding artist selection, proposal to Commission, budget, stipend to include cost of material and labor, permitting, insurance, supervision of work, panels and building preparation, participants, and power washing.

There was a consensus that individual Board Members research indications of interest from local artists and return next month to report their findings.

E. 23-0151 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Upcoming Arts in the Hall Event

Chair Namack introduced the item.

Board Member Fritz provided a report of progress including timeline for the project, deadline for submissions, student grade breakdown, mat board backing for pictures, date of the event, and "hanging" day.

9. Future Agenda Items

Future agenda items included Item No. 23-0149, Item No. 22-3173, Item No. 22-3174, an update regarding the Art in Public Places account process, an update regarding whether the Spoonbill fulfills obligation for the Heron Creek development, an update regarding Public Private Partnerships (P3) requirements and possibilities, and an update regarding Board findings pertaining to indications of interest from local artists.

10. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

11. Adjournment

Chair Namack adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

By: ___________________
Wendy Namack, Chair

Minutes were approved on the ___ day of ___________, 2023.