



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes - Draft Art Advisory Board

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

6:00 PM

City Hall Room 244

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Nicastro called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 5 - Vice Chair Nicastro, Board Member Shelton, Board Member Parkinson, Board Member Gozion and Board Member Thompson

Absent 2 - Chair Kelly and Board Member Loos

Also Present

Marketing and Engagement Coordinator Laura Ansel, 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. [22-2947](#) Approval of Minutes for the May 10, 2022 Art Advisory Board

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

6. Presentations

A. [22-3001](#) Presentation Regarding the Punta Gorda Mural Society (Kelly Gaylord)

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Kelly Gaylord, President Punta Gorda Historic Mural Society, provided an overview including mission to preserve history, 501c(3) tax exempt status, volunteers, number of City-wide murals, maintenance, approval process, lessons learned, fund raising, professional materials, artists, business-sponsored murals, mural statistics, guided walking tours, history classes, engaging all Florida artists, cross section of skills in board of directors, record keeping, communicating with the community, email distribution list, maintenance inspections and tracking, 10% of artists' fees goes to maintenance,

structurally sound mural surface, vetting artists and subject matter, quality of paint and sealer, interfacing with other mural societies, mural cloth, City's review process, sign standards, QR coded informational brochures, dominant source of income, finding artists, maintenance nightmares, artist's payment for primary rendering, sign standards from Land Development Regulations (LDR), support of the community, the Florida Mural Trail on Visit Florida, and option of painting over old murals.

Ms. Ansel spoke to touching base with finance department regarding art fund usage regulations.

7. Unfinished Business

A. [22-2996](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Commission's Direction Pertaining to a Mural at the Community Education Center

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel spoke to a handout from the Social Services Division, building entrances, mural placement facing Pan American Boulevard, and Commission direction to consider a mural.

Discussion ensued regarding a proposed idea forwarded to Mr. Ansel, mural suggestions, and further discussion at the next Board meeting.

B. [22-2807](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Painting the City's Green Utility Boxes

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel stated she submitted a request to the Utility Department for additional information but received no response.

Discussion ensued regarding placing this on the next agenda.

8. New Business

A. [22-2998](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Skate Park Murals Presentation for City Commission Review and Direction

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel created a Staff Report and prepared suggestions to aid the Commission presentation.

Discussion ensued regarding Board Member Parkinson being the presenter.

A motion was made by Board Member Shelton, seconded by Vice Chair Nicastro, to approve Board Member Parkinson and Art Board Liaison Ansel to create the presentation to the Commission pertaining to the Skate Park murals. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

B. [22-3000](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the City's 65th Anniversary and Community of Unity Themed Project

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Discussion ensued regarding planning for the City's 65th Celebration, mural timetable, finding an artist, creating the proposed program to the Commission, incorporating themed celebrations at existing events, and updating the City's history book.

There was a consensus directing Ms. Ansel to request information from the City Manager whether a committee will be established for the City's 65th Anniversary and identify a theme.

9. Updates

A. [22-2997](#) Art Advisory Board Approved Projects Receiving City Commission Direction or Approval. (Board Liaison Laura Ansel)

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Ms. Ansel provided a report including finalizing the City Hall mural location, requested a budget amendment for the cost of the canvas, information for the Aquatic Center Mural received and a Legistar file created for a Commission agenda, and the Roseate Spoonbill location on the first floor stairwell.

Discussion ensued concerning the 65th Anniversary plans.

B. [22-2999](#) Upcoming Events and Programs with the North Port Art Center (Dee Dee Gozion)

Vice Chair Nicastro introduced the item.

Board Member Gozion provided a brief review and distributed the Art Center's monthly newsletter.

10. Future Agenda Items

Discussion ensued regarding North Port buildings suitable for a mural, creating a structure for art projects, and more direction needed from the Commission concerning art projects.

Ms. Ansel spoke to one art project per year, the procurement process for projects, and commissioning projects. vs. an open call.

Future agenda items included discussion regarding the Board's next big project, discussion regarding the art procurement or commissioned art process, agenda Item No. 22-2996, agenda Item No. 22-2807, and an update regarding agenda Item 22-3000.

11. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

12. Adjournment

Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

By: _____
Tony Kelly, Chair

Minutes were approved on the ___ day of _____, 2022.