



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes - Draft Art Advisory Board

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

6:00 PM

City Hall Room 244

1. Call to Order

Chair Mannino called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 4 - Vice Chair Mannino, Board Member Loos, Board Member Gozion and Board Member Rathgeber

Absent 2 - Board Member Parkinson and Board Member Fritz

Also Present

Recreation Supervisor Shelby Mendelson and Recording Secretary Susan Hale.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Mannino.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Approval of Minutes

- A. [23-0638](#) Approval of Minutes for the March 14, 2023 Art Advisory Board Meeting.

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

6. Presentation

- A. [23-0607](#) Sunshine Law Training (Presented by the Office of the City Attorney)

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Ms. Coughlin provided a presentation including public meetings definition, open meeting requirements, penalties for violation, penalty examples, public records definition, identifying a public record, email and text messages, public records requests, public records retention, Florida Commission on Ethics, prohibited conduct, prohibited relationships, voting, conflicts of interest, relatives, penalties for ethics violation, meeting procedures, quorum and motions, discussion, alternate members, and request for information.

7. Unfinished Business

- A. [23-0318](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Art Advisory Board's Project Status Report.

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Ms. Mendelson provided an update including a developer's public art options, grants, local business sponsorships, utility box project, and a request for Commission to review and approve the List.

A motion was made by Board Member Loos, seconded by Board Member Rathgeber, to forward the Art Advisory Board Project List for review to Commissioners and receive feedback pertaining to their vision of public art projects. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

- B. [23-0150](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Commission's Direction Pertaining to a Mural at the Community Education Center

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Discussion ensued regarding artist's submissions including cost breakdown, a superimposed drawing, cost differences, and further clarification regarding both renderings.

There was a consensus that Board Member Gozion contact Ms. Pommier and Ms. Pucci requesting they use square-foot cost breakdowns in their submittals and that Mr. Pucci use the blank wall template provided by Ms. Pommier to produce a comparable mural rendering.

- C. [22-3174](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the City's 65th Anniversary and Community of Unity Themed Project

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Discussion ensued regarding staff's response, painting squares for a giant mural, a project in conjunction with Sarasota Rising including sharing publicity, the Butler Park Embracing Differences event, a weekend of performances and visual art, Commission permission to create sub-committees, inviting local performing arts directors to discuss ideas, and taking minutes in sub-committees.

A motion was made by Board Member Gozion, seconded by Board Member Loos, to request Commission approval for the creation of sub-committees to plan for the City's 65th Anniversary to create an event in conjunction with the Sarasota Rising events in 2024. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

- D. [22-3874](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Placement of Artwork Near Walgreen's in Heron Creek.

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Board Member Gozion provided an overview of a proposal from the Rip Tide Foundation, proceeds going to vocational scholarships, a resin-coated sculpture, and inviting Mr. Halligan to attend the next meeting.

A motion was made by Board Member Gozion, seconded by Board Member Loos,

to invite Mike Halligan to the next Board meeting to provide a mockup of his resin-based art to be placed on the Walgreen's corner of Sumter and Price Boulevards. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

E. [23-0151](#)

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Upcoming Arts in the Hall Event

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Ms. Mendelson spoke to contacting Ms. Fritz.

Discussion ensued regarding the event date, delegating Board tasks, the board-driven event, use of Art Board budget, event setup, emailing art teachers, purchasing refreshments, start time, a social media release, anticipated attendees, a door greeter, contacting Facilities Maintenance, and a flyer announcement.

There was a consensus to send an email reminder to Art teachers, receive an update regarding plans for performers, take and post photos, Board Members stationed on each floor, door greeters, a list of student artist participants, and refreshments.

8. Updates

A. [22-3176](#)

Upcoming Events and Programs with the North Port Art Center (Dee Dee Gozion)

Chair Mannino announced the item.

Board Member Gozion provided an overview of upcoming programs at the North Port Art Center.

Ms. Mendelson spoke to an upcoming North Port's Got Talent event.

9. Future Agenda Items

Future agenda items included election of a Vice-Chair, a recap of the Arts at City Hall, updates regarding Item No. 23-0318 including Commission response, Item No. 22-3874 including Mr. Halligan's response, Item No. 22-3174 including forwarding a request to the Commission to approve sub-committees to plan for the 65th Anniversary event, and a continued discussion regarding Item No. 23-0150.

10. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

11. Adjournment

Chair Mannino adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

By: _____
David Mannino, Chair

Minutes were approved on the ____ day of _____, 2023.