

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved on December 4, 2014

**City of West Chicago
Cultural Arts Commission
Thursday, November 6, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

1. Meeting called to order at 7:11pm. Commission members in attendance: Anni Holm, Heide Morris, Lew Achenbach, Mandy Rakow, Rosie Delgado and Sara Phalen. City liaison Rosemary Mackey was also in attendance by phone.
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of August 27, 2014: Lew made a motion to approve with corrections, Heide seconded, all approved, motion carried. Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2014: Anni made a motion to approve with corrections, Lew seconded, all approved, motion carried.
3. Vote on New Commission Logo: Anni did not get templates completed, the commission still has Heide's to think on; the item was table until next meeting; we will need the new logo for new banners, so need to have voted on by March at latest.
4. Dedication and Reception for *In this – together*: a reception during Frosty Fest will be held inside fitness station, there will be a conference call on Thursday, November 13 to finalize details, Commission members would need to provide items for reception
 - a. Rosemary will send out special invites to city council and others; Sara will create Friends of the Museum social media invites once she gets verbiage from Rosemary after the Nov 13 call, call will also set speakers, Sara will talk from the Commission's perspective and introduce Anni as commission chair who was also chosen as lead artist for project; after installation it will be covered and then revealed; Krista and Sgt. Woodill are working on lightening and Krista is working on sound system; council would have to agree to make permanent lighting investment if that is to be installed prior
5. 2015 Banner Art Update: Heide had talked to Blick about the possibility of getting gift certificates for winners, but if we want it to be more local, Gallery 200 gift certificate could be purchased from commission money with year expiration, one \$30 for winner and one \$20 for voter was motioned by Sara, Lew seconded for 2014 and motion passed; winning artist in 2015 gets his/her banner and voter gets \$20; Heide will notify the winners.
 - a. Heide and Sara will send Rosemary receipt/invoice for Gallery 200 gift certificates
 - b. Heide will send Rosemary banner winner and voter winner information and Rosemary will do press release

6. Future Public Art Projects

- a. Heide had found decorative bike racks, but it was agreed that unless things are added to these, they are commercial productions and not art pieces
- b. Joe O'Brien, West Chicago resident - metal artist, blacksmith, friend of Andy! Kozlowski that we can reach out to
 - i. Proposal for free standing bike racks will be asked for
 - ii. Heide will contact Andy! And see if he can contact Joe and see if there is a workshop she can visit
- c. Budget for 2015 is \$2,500 pending City Council approval
 - i. Will be approved December City Council meeting
- d. Anni found bike rack that has place for art to be added to a functional bike rack
 - i. Could put a call out for artists to design the pieces
 - ii. Sara will talk to Tim Wilcox about if he has money in his budget for racks and we pay for art-cost share
- e. Rosemary will reach out to Geneva and see how they did their program

7. Other Business:

- a. Gallery 200 Mike Smith show opens on Friday
- b. Museum will be making Day of the Dead skeletons on Friday for Late Night
- c. Artshare Britta doing jewelry on third Saturday
- d. Diana Velasco closing reception Thursday 5-7pm at museum, she will be there talking about her May 2015 project

8. Public Participation: none.

9. Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Phalen