City of West Chicago

Cultural Arts Commission

Thursday, February 5, 2015 Meeting Minutes

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. Commission members in attendance: Anni Holm, Buddy Plumlee, Heide Morris, Rosalinda Delgado, Uwe Gsedl and Sara Phalen. City liaison Rosemary Mackey was also in attendance.
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of December 4, 2014: Anni made a motion to approve with corrections, Heide seconded, all approved, motion carried.
- 3. Vote on New Commission Logo: Anni presented her mockup of the logo, discussion had about making sure to add text underneath "West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission", suggestion to add a color for the middle of the A (gray for gray scale)-color can be added to that "arrow" and changed to match/fit the occasion, make line border half of the size of the block letters (thicker). Anni will make changes and have for March meeting.
- 4. Update on Banner Art Project: 15 people submitted-each submitted 1-3 pieces about 25 entries, Nick Fuller director of People Made Visible Community Garden and Kim Konie Fuller artist and art teacher, are our jurors, ask jurors to select 10-15; discussion about having Healthy West Chicago banner in addition, we will supplement and add into submission; in the future we need to send to more diverse places (Buddy suggested Craigs List, CAR); send personal invites to people who have participated in the past; come up with a theme by Blooming Fest –bring themes suggestions to next meeting; need to give Merna specifications for the banner layout (font, sizes, etc); Heide will bring sheets of past banners for us to look at for font guidelines
- 5. City Hall Art Schedule: Sara will retouch base with Artéculture winners and get their art up asap, talk to Judy ASAP and keep up through May and then the new Artéculture winner will go up in June-August.
- 6. Artéculture: discussion about location will have to come after Blooming Fest decides layout (Blooming committee discussing extension of festival east past Community Center); also discussion about having art outside-PMV has 10x20' tent that might be able to be used; Rosemary wil ask about use of Community Center, CAC should invest in banner with logo to have out and could reuse each year and still have tent even if we are in Community Center to draw more attention, stencil for side walk that we spray to lead people to location.
- 7. Status of Fine Arts Fiesta: there will be no Fine Arts Fiesta, Sara will talk to MCC about having art at that event.
- 8. DuPage All for Arts Initiative: Sara gave update on progress of the initiative, steering committee met and has made recommendations for a county-wide council or some forms that advocates for art and promotes the programs already happening in the county. Will have more information at March meeting.

9. Discussion of Future Public Art Project: Angelo did some research on companies for bike, public works will have standard bike racks made and we will create art that attaches, discussion about whether to have one piece of art or multiple art designs; work on getting something that will last as this will be a concern and public works will have discretion to remove if it becomes a problem; do we think we would need to have double sided or only on one side-need to know locations and if both will be visible for costs; Rosemary is checking on the TIF money and if we can pay for art outside the TIF district; need to talk to Rob and Tim about figuring out which racks are going to be chosen and perhaps we work with that company producing the frame and ask for it be specified to fit our needs so that it is built in from the beginning and more lasting;

10. Other Business:

- a. Heide got call from Barbara at High School and she will give scholarship applicants to Heide for the commission to read and decide the winner
- b. Lew gave Rosemary poster to share about West Chicago artists in show in Aurora
- c. Uwe announced that Sister Cities will be traveling to Taufkirchen if anyone wants to join the trip
- d. Anni-participating in exhibit at Aurora Public Arts Commission –installation "Unwanted" opens sometime late Feb
- e. New feature artist exhibit-Veronica's knit things, Fibers show

11. Adjournment 8:55 p.m	11.	Ad	iournment	8:55	p.m
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Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Phalen