

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

APPROVED JUNE 8, 2023

Thursday, May 6, 2023

7:00pm

MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 7:08pm by Heidi Kuharich; Roll Call: Anni Holm, Paulina Garcia, Uwe Gsedl, Heidi Kuharich, Deborah Walsh, and City Liaison Daniel Peck in attendance; Quorum established
2. Public Participation: N/A
3. Approve Minutes of April 6, 2023
 - a. Deborah Walsh made motion to approve, Paulina Garcia seconded; Approved unanimously
4. Items for Discussion and Possible Action
 - a. Art Banner Exhibit 2023: Map/Website
 - i. Anni Holm noted that one of the banners was incorrectly placed and requested repositioning; Dan Peck requested an e-mail with the specifics to follow-up
 1. Map will be promoted on website, linked to People's Choice voting; timing to coincide with Blooming Fest
 2. Heidi Kuharich will communicate to all artists regarding open voting week of 5.22.23
 - ii. Banners are expected to hang throughout the summer, until MID banners are hung in September
 1. Deadline of 9.4.23 established for People's Choice voting
 - b. 2024 Art Banner Theme
 - i. Continuation of last month's discussion
 - ii. Heidi Kuharich will seek comprehensive list of past themes for assistance in selecting future themes
 - iii. Heidi Kuharich noted that the City's theme for the 175th founding of the Community of Junction is "Coming Together"
 - iv. Continued discussion to decision on 2024 Art Banner Theme of "Time to Celebrate/Tiempo para Celebrar"; motion made by Deborah Walsh, seconded by Uwe Gsedl, unanimous
 - v. Theme will be promoted along with Blooming Fest and 2023 Banner marketing
 - c. Artculture Reception
 - i. Buddy Plumlee confirmed details: 5.20.23 at 3pm, Kindred Coffee Roasters; expected to hang for duration of May
 - ii. Dan Peck is working with Sarah Harms/Kindred to provide light reception food/beverage
 - d. Summer 2023: Andy Warhol "Loteria" Initiative
 - i. Heidi Kuharich and Paulina Garcia reviewed the finer points of the planning process; Peck reported that decals can only be affixed to windows externally (not from inside window looking out)
 - ii. Commission reviewed financial considerations involved; determined artists will be encouraged to design two cards each and will receive a \$25 Blick card
 - iii. Heidi Kuharich and Paulina Garcia will construct artist guidelines in Spanish and have established artist spreadsheet to track card selection
5. Other Business
 - a. Heidi Kuharich requested update from last month regarding the disappearance of Public Art on City website; Dan Peck reported that the website is undergoing a major overhaul and the art will be reposted
 - b. Heidi Kuharich requested update from last month regarding the Roles & Responsibilities; Dan Peck reported that a summer intern would be assigned to this task; Commission had to reclarify the intent of this longstanding question was for the Liaison role
 - c. Uwe Gsedl requested an update on the WeGo Amigo; Heidi Kuharich reported that it has been hosted by Gallery 200/MCCD since leaving the Library and is on display there
 - d. Uwe Gsedl provided the Commission with a brief Sister Cities update; 2024 marks 25 years
6. Adjournment: 8.11pm

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