

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

APPROVED DECEMBER 7, 2023

West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission

Thursday, November 9, 2023

7:00pm

MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 7:03pm by Heidi Kuharich; Roll Call: Paulina Garcia, Uwe Gsedl, Jacob Hernandez, Heidi Kuharich, Buddy Plumlee, Bruce Treudt, Deborah Walsh, and City Liaison Daniel Peck in attendance; Quorum established
2. Public Participation: N/A
3. Approve Minutes of October 5, 2023
 - a. Jacob Hernandez made motion to approve, Deborah Walsh seconded; Approved unanimously
4. Items for Discussion and Possible Action
 - a. Art Banner Exhibit 2023
 - i. People's Choice Award Recipient, Sienna Sherrier, will hang Gallery 200 exhibit 11.13.23 (through December)
 - ii. Heidi Kuharich read Eric Appelquist e-mail for Commission:
"I just wanted to thank you for the work you do and want you to know that West Chicago is a better place for having you there. It really made me super happy to see Sienna win and I hope It inspires her. I look forward to participating for years to come."
 - iii. Uwe Gsedl and Heidi Kuharich discussed final certificate to be produced.
 - b. Art Banner Exhibit 2024
 1. Continued discussion on including QR codes for voting; Dan Peck confirmed that additional eye-level frames will be added to poles for any/all banner programs
 2. Potential juror shortlist discussion; focus on 175th anniversary and celebratory theme; will follow up with official offer letter when identified
 - c. Loteria Update
 - i. Heidi Kuharich reported that all cards are ready to come down; Paulina Garcia will serve as back-up
 - ii. Heidi Kuharich reported that several sites asked about repeating the effort next year, noting that they'd observed many "players" out looking for cards with Loteria boards in hand
 - iii. Heidi Kuharich reported that prizes had been exhausted; Dan Peck agreed to contribute a few lanterns for the final "winners"
 - iv. Heidi Kuharich will follow up with a review form on the entire effort; Dan Peck will get full financial report to Heidi Kuharich for completion
 - d. Cultural Arts Commission Master Plan
 - i. Heidi Kuharich updated Commission on workgroup progress; requested feedback on survey draft by 11.13.23; will provide survey link to Dan Peck
 - ii. Discussion of public art sites to include in plan; Uwe Gsedl and Bruce Treudt to photograph
5. Other Business
 - a. Heidi Kuharich mentioned Frosty Fest Snowflake; Paulina Garcia volunteered
 - b. Discussion on second Juan Chawuk mural at Tampico; Heidi Kuharich will follow up with Fernando Ramirez on protective coatings and signage
 - c. Uwe Gsedl provided update on Sister Cities 25th anniversary in 2024
 - d. Dan Peck confirmed that the CAC At-a-Glance will not be included in webpage update; public art will be included on separate page (largely taken from Master Plan work mentioned in 4.d.ii)
6. Adjournment: 8.07pm

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