

Meeting Minutes

Columbus Art Commission



Location: 111 North Front Street, Room 204

Date: March 15, 2023

Time: 5:30pm

Commissioners Present: Diane Nance (Chair) Mary Gray, Lisa McLymont, Gamal Brown

Absent: Merijn Van der Heijden (Vice-Chair), Matthew Mohr, Eliza Ho

Staff Present: Luis Teba, Jennifer Fening, Sofie Vogel

Call to Order (8:33)

- Swear in Staff
- Introduction of Commissioners
- Overview of Hearing Format
- Public Forum

A. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Discussion: N/A

Motion: To approve the minutes as presented.

Motion by: McLymont/Gray (4-0-0) APPROVED.

B. Continued Applications

- 1) N/A

C. New Applications

- 1) **CAC-23-03-001**

Columbus Commons

CDDC / Donna Zuiderweg

Request for Action

Temporary/Private Owned

Installation of the "Egg Prize" art vending machine.

Discussion:

Kristen Sutton presented.

- McLymont asked how many eggs it holds
- Sutton replied many more than the 20,000 they anticipate putting in the machine
- Gray asked how large they would be.
- Sutton said from around the size of a shirt pin button.
- Nance asked who the artists involved would be.
- Sutton said they are working with GCAC to identify artists.
- Brown asked if the casing would be the one we see in the presentation.
- Sutton said it would be. It is covered in literary references. They wanted a location outside of the Main Library because it is a celebration of their entire library system.
- Nance asked if they had any information regarding any vandalism and safety.
- Sutton said that David Keil didn't indicate they had any issues with vandalism and safety. CDDC security will be providing security as part of their security in Columbus Columns. It is very hard to tip or move.
- Brown asked if the eggs were plastic.
- Sutton said she thinks so.
- Gray said that she thought it was a wonderful idea.
- Brown agreed.
- Teba said he would like to promote it on Facebook and social media
- Sutton said that would be great.

Motion: To approve the proposal as presented

Motion by: Gray/Brown (4-0-0) APPROVED.

D. Conceptual Applications

- 1) N/A

E. New Business

- 1) Scioto Lounge I - Reclining deer
 - Teba informed the commissioners of the plan to re-sod and seed around the deer. If it continues to be an issue, they will have to rethink the options.
 - Nance said that was great. It has been a problem for a while.
- 2) Public Art Database
 - Teba updated the commissioners on the Public Art Database.
 - Vogel updated the commissioners on her research on the existing art pieces.
- 3) Art Maintenance
 - Teba gave an update on the winding down of the 2022 maintenance contract, and the contract extension underway for 2023 with Blind Eye Restoration.

F. Old Business

- 1) Training
 - Teba gave an update on the training materials. There will be an in-depth training in April.
- 2) Public Art Plan
 - Fening gave an update on the Public Art Plan
 - Nance stated that she didn't vote for the selected consultant. She felt the Designing Local proposal was much more detailed and provided a plan more tailored to Columbus.
- 3) Update on Existing Projects
 - Teba gave an update on the Parsons Avenue Streetscape "1000 Eyes". The contract extension is finalized.
 - Teba gave an update on the Public Art Maintenance – Blind Eye Restoration is finalizing the 2022 invoice.
 - Fening gave an update on the Public Art Appraisal – Contract discussions are underway with Gurr Johns.
 - Teba gave an update on the Central Avenue Community House – Planning is awaiting final invoice.
- 4) Social media promotion
 - Teba gave an update on the social media promotion of public art.
- 5) Bloomberg
 - Fening gave an update on the Bloomberg submission.

G. Adjournment 6:20 pm

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