



Public Art Commission Minutes

Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 12:00 PM

Council Chamber Overflow Room CH-116
203 Main Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Melissa Crane, Chairperson; Janeale Dean, Vice-Chairperson; Amy Westover; Camille Barigar; Drew Nash; Laura Stewart; Tim Hafer

1) Call Meeting to Order/Confirmation of Quorum

Janeale Dean called the meeting to order at approximately 12:08 p.m. A quorum was present.

Members present: Janeale Dean, Vice-Chairperson; Camille Barigar; Drew Nash (joined 12:40 p.m.); Laura Stewart; Tim Hafer

Members absent: Melissa Crane, Chairperson; Amy Westover.

Council liaison (present): Chris Reid (joined 12:30 p.m.)

Staff Present: Mitch Humble, Deputy City Manager; Wendy Davis, Parks and Recreation Director, Elois Joseph, Parks and Recreation Project Coordinator.

Guests present: none.

2) Items of Consideration

a) Request to approve the May 7, 2024, Public Art Commission meeting minutes.

MOTION: Camille Barigar moved to approve the item as presented. Tim Hafer seconded the motion. A voice vote was conducted. Approved 4 to 0.

b) Discuss funding mechanisms and future planning.

Wendy Davis provided an overview of the item, the following was discussed:

- Legality of allowing funding as part of developments.
- The Strategic Plan was discussed as a mechanism to obtain additional funding.
- Completing a Resolution to recommend a change to increase funding.
- Resolution update would need to be a part of FY 2026.
- Discussion ensued regarding requesting the funding increase in a resolution adoption through a series of phases.
- Functional art was discussed. The definition was clarified – beautifying benches and artistic manhole covers were mentioned as examples.
- Opportunity for art at the Canyon Trail Junction was mentioned.
- Donations and obtaining a QR code for donations to be placed at locations or shared.
- Working with a foundation, such as the Community Foundation for donations to Public Art was mentioned.

- Potentially “selling” a box for funding was discussed. Concerns regarding advertising in the right-of-way were mentioned. City code and Federal court cases were referenced as why this cannot be an option for funding.
- Multiple funding sources identified in the current resolution were shared.

This item was tabled for continued discussion at the next meeting.

Councilmember Chris Reid joined the meeting at approximately 12:30 p.m.

Drew Nash joined the meeting at approximately 12:40 p.m.

c) Consider a request to rotate murals at the Downtown Commons from Arnel Culum.

Wendy Davis presented images and a discussion of the status of the murals in the Downton Commons. Discussion ensued regarding the water damage on the existing pieces.

The cost of the upgraded material for the vinyl murals was compared to the original quote received from Lytle. The quote for the upgraded material vinyl was an increase of approximately \$12,000.

Considering another form of artwork on the Downtown commons wall was mentioned. Discussion ensued. Artwork, such as sculpture, was given as an example. The lifespan of the artwork was discussed.

The Community Survey was discussed. Preferences for types of public art based on the Community Survey were mentioned.

MOTION: Camille Barigar moved to request the item to be presented to the City Council for consideration with the request for approximately \$15,000 from the Public Art Reserve Fund. Laura Stewart seconded the motion. A voice vote was conducted. Approved 5 to 0.

This item will be presented to the City Council for consideration at the June 24th meeting, along with the re-appointment recommendations for Camille Barigar and Tim Hafer.

Advertising on site for the project was discussed. Discussion ensued regarding the timeline of the project.

Commissioners discussed having a celebration at the completion of the Downtown Mural project as part of both the Electrical Box Wrap Project and the Mural project at the Downtown Commons. Potentially having it as part of the Tree-Lighting Ceremony was mentioned.

3) General Public Input

There was no general public input at this meeting.

4) Public Art Proposal Update

a) June 2024 Proposal Update

An update on the Electrical Box wrap project was given, including the following:

- agreements have been made with the selected artists and the selected pieces.
- staff will move forward with the agreements with the artist for the project.

5) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:04 p.m.



Elois Joseph
Parks and Recreation Project Coordinator