



Urban Renewal Agency Meeting Notes

Thursday, May 9, 2019, 3:00 PM

- SPECIAL MEETING - Downtown Arts Subcommittee

City Hall - Room 116, Overflow
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Dexter Ball, Perri Gardner, Suzzane Cawthra, Rudy Ashenbrener, Cindy Bond, Andy Hohwieler, Doug Vollmer

1) Special Meeting Notice

2) Downtown Arts Subcommittee Members

Present: Leon Smith, Carolyn White, Suzzane Cawthra, Perri Gardner, Curtis Eaton, Tony Prater, Dennis Bowyer

Absent: Fran Frost, Marjorie McBride

Staff Present: Lorrie Bauer

3) Agenda - Discuss potential public art project ideas.

Sculpture Art:

- Tony Prater researched the downtown area for potential sculpture art locations and shared the results shown on a map.
- The "line of sight" (20-25 feet back from the corner) was considered but will need to be verified at each location.
- Discussion ensued about each location.
- Infrastructure will need to be in place at selected locations. Options were discussed.
- The purpose of this project is to allow an opportunity for artists to display their sculpture art.
- Tony Prater will verify locations and report at the next meeting.

Utility Box Wraps:

- A map of box locations was provided prior to the meeting.
- Leon Smith viewed each location and found most areas need quite a bit of beautification before a wrap is applied.
- Discussion ensued about each location. Four locations were chosen for a wrap.
- Perri Gardner and Carolyn White will reach out to artists for readily available art. Artwork that was submitted for the 2018 project will be reviewed for possible consideration. Suggestions will be discussed at the next meeting.

New Project Idea:

- In regards to a Times-News article about forgotten Vietnam Veterans, Curtis Eaton shared there was a brick triangle in the City Park that was a memorial for 17 local Vietnam Veterans. Curtis reached out to the community members to see if the community should be thinking about a commemoration of community values that would include patriotism, valor, sacrifice, etc. as well as include the amendments. Could there be a place that shows an open-ended view of what our community values are? Curtis shared that Terry McCurdy, an active member in the Twin Falls Community Foundation, believes the Foundation would help. This idea comes from previous Subcommittee discussions about interactive art displays. This theme is of interest to the committee. Carolyn White shared there was approximately \$39,000 available in the City of Twin Falls Art and Public Places Fund. Leon Smith suggested that the current City Park memorial location be expanded. The City Park is out of the URA allocation area, therefore funds would not be possible. Discussion ensued. It was suggested a community group could research and pursue the project.

Exterior Murals:

- Carolyn White shared Ketchum recently sent out a Call-to-Artists to mural artists for a 9'x25' wall at the Ketchum Visitor's Center at a cost of \$3,000 plus \$500 for materials, but no per diem. She was able to get a couple of contacts, but they are both out of the area.
- Committee agreed \$3,000 was not enough for a project that size.
- Theme and budget for an exterior building wall mural were questioned.
- Suggestion: Claude Brown's north wall (Hansen St.) with Leon Smith's painting of the old Idaho Department Store.
- Carolyn White will talk to Claude Brown's Furniture about the suggestion and get estimates from Lytle to present at the next meeting.



Lorrie Bauer, Recording Secretary