

**PUBLIC ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**July 23, 2018 6:00 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chairperson Amanda James called Public Arts Advisory Commission regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on June 25, 2018 in the City Council Chambers. Present: Suzanne Cantrell, Matthew Gaul, Gina Gazzo, Amanda James and Nora Schatzberg. Absent: Regina Glawe.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

CANTRELL/SCHATZBERG moved to approve the agenda. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 25, 2018 REGULAR MEETING**

SCHATZBER/CANTRELL moved to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2018 regular meeting. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

**4. TIME TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION (5 MINUTE LIMIT)**

None.

**5. BUSINESS ITEMS**

a. In June, City Council approved a final contract proposed by the Commission for Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation (GDMPAF) to assist the City in the public art procurement process for the roundabout project at NE 70<sup>th</sup> Street and Rising Sun Drive. M. Jessica Rowe, Director of Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation, will present to the commission about what constitutes "public art" and the next steps for both GDMPAF and the Public Arts Advisory Commission in the procurement process. Ms. Rowe discussed her background in art and professional background. The presentation included information about public art currently in the Des Moines area and examples of public art in other areas. This included discussion of what is public art and type of public art. Following the presentation discussion was held regarding what will be the role of the Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation and the city's Public Arts Commission. There will be a panel consisting of Arts Commission members and members from the GDMPAF. Ms. Rowe is currently working with city staff to develop and finalize RFQs. When completed they will be shared with Commissioners and with the community. The initial applications will be reviewed by the Director of GDMPAF to verify qualifications are met. The panel will review images submitted and indicate yes or no for each. The next step will be another layer of on line review where all information is revealed, i.e.: total biography, etc. Each panel member will be assigned a number of artists to review and then everyone will meet as a group and discuss applicants. Jessica Rowe will facilitate the process to bring a small group of finalists. The final step will be to present to the community and make a final decision. In response to a question regarding if applications will be accepted from only established artists or from new and/or emerging artists, the application process is open to all, but will usually find that with city projects it is established artists that apply. This will be an interesting process and a great experience for Commissioners.

If anyone has questions as the process progresses, they can be directed to Candace Bell, Communications Specialist and she will forward to the Director.

## **6. DIRECTOR'S/COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS**

No Director's report.

The Tango Gala for Children and Families of Iowa is coming up. Commissioner Schatzberg has more information if you are interested.

Iowa Art event is October 3.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

SCHATZBERG/CANTRELL moved to adjourn. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

- NEXT MEETING: August 27, 2018

Cindy Konrad  
Recording Secretary