**MINUTES**

**CITY OF SUWANEE, GEORGIA**

**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION (PAC) MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 2, 2015**

**6:00 PM**

**Attending:**

Commission members: Dick Goodman, Cherie Heringer, Vickie Johnson, Lisa Winton, Berney Kirkland (left at 7:37 p.m.) (Absent: Suzanne Holtkamp, Tim O’Brien).

Staff: Denise Brinson, Toni Shrewsbury, Alyssa Durden

**Call to Order**

Lisa Winton called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Cherie Heringer moved to approve the minutes from the August 5, 2015 meeting as presented (Berney Kirkland 2nd). Motion carried 5-0.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Vickie Johnson moved to adopt the agenda as presented (Cherie Heringer 2nd). Motion carried 5-0.

**Developer Presentation**

StorGard Self Storage, was represented by Tony Amburgy, owner/developer. Cherie Heringer reported that she and Mr. Amburgy had met on-site at StorGard where they discussed possible public art opportunities. Mr. Amburgy expressed that although he had some ideas, he was unsure how to proceed. In response, Denise Brinson offered the option of developer consultant services, which he accepted (see attached).

Denise introduced the City’s new planning division director, Alyssa Durden. Alyssa will be the point of contact for developers using developer consultant services.

Other Updates – Toni Shrewsbury reported that Dexter Patterson, spokesman for the Starbuck’s development, provided renderings of the public art component they plan to include on-site. (see attached renderings).

**Public Art Master Plan**

Denise shared the latest draft of the public art master plan exclusive of final design components. The final plan is scheduled to be adopted by City Council at the September 22, 2015 Council meeting and used by the PAC as a guiding document.

**Project Updates**

SculpTour – Toni shared that *Field Trips Atlanta* plans to include SculpTour on its website, fieldtripsatlanta.com, as one of 101 best field trips in Northeast Georgia.

Fundraising/Awareness Event - Cherie reported that save the date cards have been ordered for the event which will now be referred to as “The Black and White Event.” The next planning committee meeting will be held on September 15, 2015.

North Gwinnett Arts Association (NGAA) - Denise shared that City Council has approved the contract between the City and the NGAA. Vickie Johnson reported that the NGAA has received a verbal commitment from Madison Retail LLC and is awaiting the final lease agreement. Vickie also mentioned that Saturday, May 14 has been the date selected for the 2016 “Arts in the Park” event.

Other Updates – Denise reported that the City’s mixed-use rezoning request for tracts located along Buford Highway will be on the agenda for a called City Council meeting this coming Tuesday, September 8, 2015.

**Other**

Dick Goodman announced that he is resigning his appointment to the Public Art Commission effective immediately following this meeting.

**Adjournment**

Vickie Johnson moved to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. (Cherie Heringer 2nd). Motion carried 4-0.

Minutes taken by Toni Shrewsbury