

MINUTES
CITY OF SUWANEE
PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION (PAC) MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 2019
6:00 PM

Attending:

Commission members: Cherie Heringer, Keith Nabb, Susan Costley, Berney Kirkland (Left at 7:30 p.m.), Sean Mulligan (Absent), Lisa Winton (Absent), Annie Davis (Absent)

Staff: Denise Brinson, Toni Shrewsbury, Alyssa Durden

Call to Order

Denise Brinson called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

Adoption of the Agenda

Berney Kirkland moved to adopt the agenda as presented (Keith Nabb 2nd). Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

Berney Kirkland moved to approve the April 10, 2019 minutes as presented (Cherie Heringer 2nd). Motion carried 4-0.

Developer Presentation

Suwanee Center Development was represented by Juan Del Rio, an architect with One Point LLC. The project is a gas station/convenience store which will also provide approximately 5,600 square feet of retail space. Mr. Del Rio informed the PAC that the owner does not feel that the project is a fit for public art on the property, however, he has approved a one percent donation to the City's art initiative. Staff will follow up.

June 15 Event ('The Big Artsy') – Discussion of PAC Role

Denise Brinson explained that the event will serve as an official introduction to the 2019 SculpTour exhibit and will include a scavenger hunt involving the sculptures, followed by a performance of Disney's "Newsies" by the Aurora Theater company. Capital Campaign donors and prospective donors, will be invited to a reception at the North Gwinnett Arts Association Gallery/City Welcome Center prior to the performance. Current SculpTour artists will be invited to participate. PAC members, Berney Kirkland, Cherie Heringer, and Keith Nabb volunteered to help staff the reception.

Project Updates

- Capital Campaign – Denise Brinson reported that over \$280,000 has been pledged thus far with appointments continuing to be scheduled.
- SculpTour 2019 – Toni Shrewsbury shared that installation of the exhibit will begin the week of May 20, 2019, with 13 sculptures expected to be installed by May 31, 2019. The final (and 14th) sculpture, a collaborative piece by North Gwinnett High School Art

Teacher, Dallas Gillespie, and his student, Breelynn Wilson, is in fabrication and will be installed in early June, 2019. Toni extended an open invitation to the PAC members to come out and watch any of the installations - she will email the installation schedule to the PAC members.

- North Gwinnett Arts Association – Keith Nabb and Cherie Heringer reported the following updates:
 - Jazz Fest was rescheduled for June 8, 2019 due to the threat of inclement weather. Tables on the lawn are still available for purchase at \$300 per table.
 - The NGAA received a \$10,000 grant from the Hudgens Center and has applied for another \$20,000 grant from Georgia Council for the Arts.
 - The NGAA made \$5,200 from hosting 18 lantern-making workshops for this year's Glow in the Park.
 - The new gallery exhibit, the largest to date, will be installed on May 24, 2019.
 - The NGAA is looking for a volunteer to assist with social media/marketing.
 - A writers' class will be offered at George Pierce Park.

Adjournment

Susan Costley moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. (Cherie Heringer 2nd). Motion carried 3-0.

Minutes taken by Toni Shrewsbury