

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF SUWANEE**  
**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION (PAC) MEETING – ZOOM CALL**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021**  
**6:00 PM**

**Attending:**

Commission members: Cherie Heringer, Susan Costley, Lisa Winton, Carla Hoff, Sean Mulligan, Keith Nabb, One Vacancy

Staff: Denise Brinson, Toni Shrewsbury

**Call to Order**

Lisa Winton called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**Adoption of the Agenda**

Susan Costley moved to adopt the agenda as presented (Keith Nabb– 2<sup>nd</sup>).

Motion carried 6-0.

**Approval of Minutes**

Susan Costley moved to approve the February 10, 2021 minutes as presented.

(Cherie Heringer – 2<sup>nd</sup>). Motion carried 6-0.

**Developer Presentations**

The Cottages at Suwanee – The Cottages at Suwanee is a One-Street Residential, active-adult, cottage rental community to be located on Eva Kennedy Road. The project was represented by Deke Rochester, Vice President of Development. Mr. Rochester shared that One-Street is excited by the opportunity to participate in the percent for art initiative. He has given thought to what that participation looks like and described for the commission a sculptural concept along with the on-site location he is considering. Toni Shrewsbury offered to share resources in an effort to assist Mr. Rochester with locating an artist and will plan to follow up.

**Updates**

Municipal Court Mural – Toni reported that artist, Lauren Stumberg, has completed the mural. Denise Brinson shared that there will be a dedication ceremony which will be combined with the Station Park opening/dedication sometime in April – May, 2021.

Buford Highway Mural – Denise Brinson reported that city staff is working with the selected artist on the final design concept.

North Gwinnett Arts Association – Denise Brinson informed the PAC that in 2019, prior to the pandemic, the organization enjoyed a tremendous year. However, the pandemic has presented a challenge for the arts center. Therefore, City Council voted to provide an increased stipend, for a 6-month period of time, to help with pandemic relief. Denise further shared that new

officers have been elected. The board held a retreat in February 2021, with Lisa Winton serving as moderator.

**Other**

Denise Brinson reported that public arts commission member Berney Kirkland has retired and plans to relocate which will leave a vacancy on the commission. Denise reminded the PAC that Debra Barnhart, Suwanee resident, previously expressed interest in joining the PAC and was interviewed last year for a vacancy that was open at that time. Commission members advised Denise to reach out to Ms. Barnhart to ask if she is still interested in serving. If so, the PAC will make a recommendation to City Council for her appointment to the commission at the March Council meeting.

**Adjournment**

Lisa Winton moved to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. (Sean Mulligan 2<sup>nd</sup>). Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes taken by Toni Shrewsbury