

**WEST DES MOINES PUBLIC ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS**  
**Thursday, July 26, 2018**

The regular meeting of the West Des Moines Public Arts Advisory Commission was called to order on Thursday, July 26, 2018, at 5:31 p.m. by Chair Crane.

<b>Commission</b>	Jeff Phillips	Brenda Sedlacek	Tamara Kenworthy	Ryan Crane <i>Chair</i>	Rita Luther <i>Vice Chair</i>
<b>Present</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b> Arrived at 5:55 pm
<b>Commission</b>	Diane Boyd <i>Secretary</i>	Jed Gammell			
<b>Present</b>	<b>X</b>				

<b>Staff</b>	Sally Ortgies <i>Director of Parks &amp; Recreation</i>	Ryan Penning <i>Superintendent of Recreation</i>	Miranda Kurtt <i>Secretary</i>	John Mickelson <i>Council Liaison</i>
<b>Present</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	

**On Item 1. Approval of Agenda**

Phillips moved to approve the agenda as presented. Kenworthy seconded. Motion carried, 5 yes.

**On Item 2. Citizen Forum**

None.

**On Item 3. Approval of Minutes of June 28, 2018 Meeting**

Phillips moved to approve the minutes with the correct secretary listed. Sedlacek seconded. Motion carried, 5 yes.

**On Item 4. Old Business**

No report.

**New Business**

**On Item 5A. Motion – Approval of 2019 Art on the Campus Artist Selection Committee**

Phillips questioned how committee members are selected. Ortgies stated that various methods are used including identifying those who have submitted an application to be on the Commission. This is the case with Ray Seidelman, one of the proposed members for the Art on the Campus Selection Committee. The other proposed new member, Carrie Abeling, is a student at Valley High and has a strong art background.

Boyd moved to approve the 2019 Art on the Campus Artist Selection Committee as recommended. Sedlacek seconded. Motion carried, 5 yes.

**On Item 5B. Motion – Approval of Call for Artists – 2019 Art on the Campus Exhibit**

Crane stated that the change to include regional artists could increase participation. Kenworthy suggested that the information about the Grand Opening event not be removed, but the date and location could be left open.

Phillips moved to establish the Approval of Approval of Call for Artists – 2019 Art on the Campus Exhibit. Kenworthy seconded. Motion carried, 5 yes

## **Committee Reports**

### **On Item 6A. Events Committee**

Ortgies stated that the Committee has not met. She mentioned the “Our Main Street” Public Art Dedication is on Thursday, August 23, at 5:30 p.m., in front of the Valley Junction Activity Center. Allison Ullestad is working on a schedule for the event and will communicate with the Events Committee via email.

### **On Item 6B. Communications Committee**

No report.

### **On Item 6C. Exhibition Committee**

Exhibition Committee will meet on Friday, July 27, 2018.

## **Project Work Group Reports**

### **On Item 7A. Water Quality Community Service Public Art Project**

Ortgies stated that staff recently had a phone meeting with Cliff Garten and Jen from Forecast regarding the project. Phillips questioned if there is a goal date for installation. Garten stated he is anticipating that installation will be May 2019. The Bravo Grant extension is still undetermined. Ortgies has contacted them and is awaiting a response. Crane questioned if the deadline for the grant was December 31, 2018. Kenworthy questioned if the temporary piece will be part of the event. Ortgies agreed that it could be included with the event.

### **On Item 7B. Historic West Des Moines Public Art**

Ortgies stated the “Our Main Street” sculpture are all installed and are receiving great feedback on Facebook. The Historic Valley Junction Foundation board is excited about the pieces and the attention they are receiving.

## **Staff Reports**

### **On Item 8A. Director of Parks and Recreation**

Ortgies stated that she is working with the Finance Department to determine the balance in the Public Art Fund. As of the end of June, the balance is \$376,201.40. Ortgies will send the detailed information to the Commission.

### **On Item 8B. Superintendent of Recreation**

Penning stated with the increased number of parks having Ice Cream Socials and various departments “hosting” the event, it has been a great opportunity for the other departments to connect with the community. Kenworthy questioned who received the postcard. Penning stated that the invitations were sent to residents within one-quarter mile from each park.

## **Other Matters**

Boyd shared that the 6<sup>th</sup> Biennial Grant Wood Symposium in Iowa City, is September 29, 2018. Crane, Kenworthy, and Sedlacek will plan to attend. Phillips stated that he received the GIS map that shows all public land. Ortgies stated she will send this to the Commission.

## **Receive, File and/or Refer**

None

Luther moved to adjourn the meeting. Boyd seconded. Motion carried, 6 yes. The meeting adjourned at 6:01p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Miranda Kurtt  
Parks & Recreation Secretary

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Diane Boyd  
Advisory Commission Secretary