

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting:

Wednesday:

August 19, 2015:

The Regular Meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, was held in the City Commission Room at City Hall at 4:00 o'clock p.m., Wednesday, August 19, 2015.

The Arts and Culture Commissioners present or absent were as follows:

Present: Arlette Preston, Cassandra Maland, Chelsea Thorson, David Bertolini, Dayna Del Val, Deb Williams, Jessica Jung

Absent: Colleen Sheehy, Michael Olsen

Also Present: Maria Olson, Dan Mahli

Chair Bertolini called the meeting to order and welcomed Members to the meeting.

Item 1: Minutes: Regular Meeting of July 15, 2015

Ms. Williams moved the minutes of the July 15, 2015 Arts and Culture Commission meeting be approved. Second by Ms. Preston. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 2: 2014 RFP for Public Art in Fargo

Assistant Planner Maria Olson introduced the 2014 request for proposals (RFP) for Public Art in Fargo stating this item is coming before the Board to offer insight into how the City has previously dealt with public art funding and to see if there is any potential to build on this process in the future. She noted a few of last year's recipients will be speaking on this RFP, who include Jeff Knight and Brittany Sickler representing the Creative Bike Rack Project and Brad Delzer representing Beethovenfest.

Community Development Administrator Dan Mahli gave a summary of last year's RFP and the Community Development Committee's role in this process including the utilization of the Social Service and Arts Fund towards this RFP. He stated the 3 proposals that were selected were 1) Beethovenfest, 2) Creative Bike Rack Project, and 3) Rolling Art Fargo.

Last year's recipients spoke on their public art projects and discussion was held among Board Members regarding the implementation of the RFP process.

Item 3: Public Art Collection Update

Ms. Olson stated City staff would like to express their thanks and appreciation to the Plains Arts Museum and Allison Cassell, an intern with the Plains Art Museum and undergraduate at Concordia College, for her help in assisting City staff in compiling information on artwork owned by the City of Fargo. She stated they have been able to

document 81 works of art owned by the City, in addition to 16 works of art located in public places but not City-owned. She added this information will be used to create identification labels for existing art as well as an online collection database that will be available to the public.

Item 4: Public Comment/ Announcements

No public comments/announcements were heard.

Item 5: Adjournment

Ms. Del Val moved the meeting be adjourned. Second by Ms. Maland. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

The time at adjournment was 4:52 p.m.