Public Art Commission Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the City of Germantown Public Art Commission was held at the Klein Conference room at the Economic and Community Development building on Tuesday, July 16, 2024

1. Call to Order:

Chair Amanda Littlejohn called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm.

2. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum:

Present:

Christopher Schmidt, Kevin Young, Linda Reyle, Amanda Littlejohn, Alderman Mary Anne Gibson, Mary Burrows, and JD Graffam

Absent:

Mindy Fischer, Albert Pope, and Cara Sievers

Staff:

Cat Peña and Cameron Ross

3. Approval of the Minutes from the May 21, 2024:

The minutes from the May meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Christopher Schmidt to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Kevin Young and passed unanimously.

4. Citizens to be Heard:

There were no citizens in attendance.

5. New Business:

Cat Peña led the group in an activity to create a list of project priorities from the Big Ideas listed in the Public Art Master Plan and a list of prioritized locations within the city's park system where they would like to see public art.

Cat Peña re-introduced each Big Idea project and location. Commissioners individually rated each using the following breakdown on a worksheet:

HIGH (Green)= This project or location is vital and the completion or addition of a public art project is should be completed as soon as possible

MEDIUM (Yellow)= This project or location is important and the completion or addition of a public art project should be completed

LOW (Red)= This project or location has minor importance and the completion or addition of a public art project should be analyzed should funding become available

To generate a group rating, Cat Peña asked each commissioner to add a color coded priority sticker to the images tapped to the wall for each project/location. The Big Idea Projects were sorted into the three categories. Any projects that did not clearly fit into a category were briefly discussed and added to one of the categories. The locations were not sorted into categories due to time constraints. Cat Peña indicated that she would produce a breakdown at a future commission meeting.

6. Project Updates:

Due to time constraints project updates were not discussed at this meeting. Cat Peña indicated that she would email that section of her presentation to commissioners and would attach that file to the minutes when they were uploaded to the city's website.

7. Reports:

- a. Chairwoman's Report: Amanda Littlejohn Chairwoman Littlejohn did not have a report to share.
- b. Alderman Liaison Report: Mary Anne Gibson-Alderman Gibson asked that commissioners consider donating blood.
- c. Beautification Liaison Report: Albert Pope- Beautification Commission was not present to give a report.
- d. Design & Review Liaison Report: Christopher Schmidt left the meeting early and was not present to give a report.
- e. Parks and Recreation Liaison Report: Kevin Young- Parks & Recreation Commissioner Young did not have a report to share. The Parks and Recreation Commission is observing a summer break and will not meet again till August.

8. Announcements:

a. The next meeting will be held at ECD on August 20th, 2024 at 5:00 PM.

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes approved by:

Amanda Littlejohn, Chair

Date: 8/10/1024