



Public Arts Advisory Board

Minutes

**Special Called Meeting
2016 CIP Thoroughfare Art
August 25, 2016 – 9:25 p.m.
Wylie Municipal Complex
Council Chambers/Conference Room
300 Country Club Road, Bldg. 100**

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

Chair Lynn Grimes called to order at 9:25 p.m. Public Art Advisory Board members present included: Lynn Grimes, Nancy Peirce, Michael Schwerin, Michelle Pugh, Lisa Green, Brooke Lopez, and Anita Jones.

Staff present included: Carole Ehrlich, Public Art Liaison.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Review of the 2016 Thoroughfare CIP Public Art Projects artist rankings by the 2016 Thoroughfare CIP Public Art Selection Committee and their recommendations for the finalist of Site #1, Site #2, and Site #3. (C. Ehrlich, Board Liaison)**

Staff Comments

Public Arts Liaison Ehrlich addressed the board stating that the selection committee narrowed the artists for Site #1 and #2, by unanimous vote to four semi-finalists. These included Mike Szabo, Tom Latka Studios, Jim Gallucci, and Michael Clapper. All semi-final artists attended a Public Input Meeting on July 27, 2016 to gather information on the City and hear public comments regarding the art. These artists prepared presentations to be given to the Selection Committee tonight during the previous meeting. All PAAB members attended the presentations and discussion by the Selection Committee.

Ehrlich explained the committee ranked the artists as first choice, Mike Szabo, second choice Latka Studios, third choice Michael Clapper, and fourth choice Jim Gullacci. The first choice finalist was recommended to the Public Arts Advisory Board as the final artist to commission the art. The PAAB, at their discretion, may change the order of finalist or choose to take the recommendation made by the selection committee.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- 1. Consider, and act upon, the ranking of the four semi-finalists and recommending**

the first ranked finalist to the Public Arts Advisory Board for the 2016 Thoroughfare CIP Public Art Projects, Site #1 and Site #2. (C. Ehrlich, Board Liaison)

Staff/Committee Discussion

Ehrlich asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the presentations. All board members gave positive comments regarding the selection of Michael Szabo as the recommended final artist. Brooke Lopez noted, in the rankings, she believed Latka Studios should be moved from 2nd ranked to last. A couple of members requested that the order of Clapper and Gallucci be reversed. Board Liaison Ehrlich explained that the motion before the board was for the recommended final artist for Site #1 and #2 and that the order of the other artists could be discussed if the recommended artist could not fulfill the commission. Board members asked that in the event Michael Szabo could not provide the commission that the board be notified to review the other artists. Ehrlich agreed to bring the item back to the board, should that happen.

Committee members asked if staff would contact Michael Szabo and ask if the artist could increase the height of the sculptures and increase the lighting within his budget. Also mentioned was to add some type of artistic design relating to the two sites to the mile markers to give encouragement to continue to walk to the other side of the trails to view the other design.

Committee Action

A motion was made by board member Jones, seconded by Board member Green to rank Michael Szabo first, and to recommend Michael Szabo as the final artist to the Wylie City Council to commission art for Sites 1 and 2; and authorize staff to prepare a contract to commission the art. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

□ Presentation and Review of the Semi-Finalists for the 2016 Thoroughfare CIP Public Art Projects, Site #3. (C. Ehrlich, Board Liaison)

Public Arts Liaison Ehrlich addressed PAAB stating that the 2016 Thoroughfare Selection Committee narrowed the artists for Site #3, by unanimous vote to three semi-finalists. These included John Davis, Adrian Litman, and Howard Kalish. All semi-final artists, with the exception of Howard Kalish, attended a Public Input Meeting on July 27, 2016 to gather information on the City and hear public comments regarding the art. These artists prepared presentations to be given to the Selection Committee tonight which each of the PAAB members attended.

Ehrlich reported the committee ranked the artists by first choice John Davis, second choice, Adrian Litman, and third choice, Howard Kalish. The first choice finalist is recommended to the Public Arts Advisory Board for final approval and recommendation to the Wylie City Council. Staff also requests authorization to prepare a contract to commission the art. The PAAB, at their discretion, may change the order of finalist or choose to take the recommendation made by the selection committee.

BUSINESS ITEMS

2. Consider, and act upon, a recommendation for the final artist for the 23016

Thoroughfare CIP Art Projects, Site #3 to the Wylie City Council and to authorize staff to create a contract to commission the art. (C. Ehrlich, Board Liaison)

Committee Discussion

Board members discussed the recommended design by John Davis and how it would fit within the site.

Board members liked John Davis's design as recommended by the Selection Committee, and asked if the artist could increase the height of the sculpture and increase the base to allow seating and extend the overall height of the sculpture.

Board Action

A motion was made by Board member Schwerin, seconded by Board member Green to recommend John Davis as the final artist for Site #3 and authorize staff to prepare a contract for final approval of the design and contract by the Wylie City Council. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0

- 3. **Consider, and act upon, approval of the minutes from the July 21, 2016 Public Arts Advisory Board Meeting. (C. Ehrlich, PAAB liaison)**

Committee Action

A motion was made by Board member Schwerin, seconded by Board member Peirce to approve the Public Arts Advisory Board minutes from July 21, 2016 as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Action

With no further business, a motion was made by Board member Green, seconded by Board member Peirce to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m.


Lynn Grimes, Chair


Carole Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Liaison