# AMES PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA – December 2, 2020 12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM

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Telephone Call-in Number: 312-626-6799 AND Meeting ID: 890 3125 7444

**Commission Members:** Sara Sherman (Chair), Penny Adam (Secretary), Erica Briest, Taylor Carlson, Angie DeWaard, Amanda Gigler, Karen George (Treasurer), Claire Kruesel, Olivia Madison, Brian Phillips (Interim City Liaison), Paola Sepulveda, James Surber, Andrew Ward, and Candace Zwank

### **Guests:**

Call to Order (Sara Sherman, Chair)

Approval of Agenda for December 2, 2020

**Approval of November 4, 2020 Minutes (Penny Adam)** 

**Treasurer's Report (Karen George)** 

Public Forum / Guests (5 min)

**Chair's Report and Comments (Sara Sherman)** 

City of Ames Liaison Comments/Updates (Brian Phillips)

## H. New Business

- 1. Artist Workspace Partnership with COTA and the Octagon (10 min)
  - a. Idea came up during celebration committee meeting
  - b. Per Brian Phillips, the money (10k) is there, but it is not ours to do with as we please. The money is specifically meant to find individual artists.
  - c. Per previous meeting, discussion on how PAC could use these funds instead
    - 1. Ideas on Proposal?
  - d. The Octagon team has drafted a proposal to City Council to use these funds to renovate the 3rd floor of the Octagon Gallery for shared artist workspace.
    - 1. While this is not Public Art, I strongly feel that PAC should be involved in this in some way, if only as a silent/supporting partner, to strengthen our relationships with the Main Street Community.
    - 2. Updates/Discussion
- 2. Tedesco Learning Corridor
  - a. Jerry Keys contacted regarding adding the pads at Tedesco to our call for artists for AAOSE
  - b. Technically couldn't be part of AAOSE as it is a county park, but could be mutually advertised to let artists know of the new space for sculptures

#### I. Old Business

- 1. Deaccession of "Resonance" on Consent Agenda for 11/12/2020 City Council Meeting
- 2. PAC projects, initiatives, events looking forward to FY20, FY21 and FY22 (20 min total)
  - a. Celebration Planning: 25<sup>th</sup> Year of AAOSE and 30<sup>th</sup> Year of PAC (Olivia Madison/Committee)
    - i. Committee for Planning: Olivia Madison, Sara Sherman, Angie DeWaard, Erica Briest, Claire Kruesel.
      - 1) Additional Contributors: Kerry Dixon, Heather Johnson, Bob Kindred
    - ii. Committee report (Olivia Madison) (10-15 min)
      - 1) Discuss current plan/brief overview of committee meeting on 11/24/20
        - a. Social Media Selfie Scavenger Hunt/Response to Public Art
        - b. Moore Memorial Park Sculpture Garden
        - c. Chalk the Walk at the Octagon
        - d. Youth Art Contest Display at City Hall Gymnasium
        - e. Live Mural Painting

# J. Commission Committees, Liaison Reports, and Comments

- 3. Outreach (Olivia Madison and Erica Briest Co-Chairs; Andrew Ward, Penny Adam, Candace Zwank, and Amanda Gigler) (10 min)
  - a. Ames Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition (AAOSE) (5 min)
    - 1. Possible Jurors for upcoming show.
    - 2. Press Release/Call for Artists send out again?

# b. Neighborhood Art (10 min)

- 1. Invite community members to apply for Neighborhood Sculpture from our 2020 AAOSE Collection. Deadline is December 15.
  - a. Update on entries.
  - b. Outreach Committee needs to review and narrow down entries to around 3 finalists for purchase and placement, taking price into consideration.
  - c. Ultimately must be approved by risk management and traffic departments, among others.
- Transformer Cabinet Mural Project Proposal (James Surber, Andrew Ward)
  - Ask people in the community to submit artwork for a transformer box in their own neighborhoods, promoting a sense of ownership of the artwork.
  - b. Alternative for neighborhoods that may not be a good candidate for a sculpture
  - c. Broaden our scope for mural/2d work outside of just the downtown neighborhood
- 4. Public Relations (Paola Sepulveda Chair; Taylor Carlson, Sara Sherman) (5 min)
  - a. Festival & Event Participation for FY2021 (Sara Sherman)
    - 1. Artwalk June 2021

- 2. Reiman Gardens July 2021
- 3. Octagon Art Festival September 2021
- 4. These events will need participation from PAC members at our booth. All dependent on the COVID situation.
- 5. Collection Management (Co-Chairs: Angie DeWaard and James Surber; Olivia Madison, Clarie Kruesel, and Karen George) (5 min)
  - a. City Hall Art Placement/Signage removal and installation (Olivia Madison)
  - b. PAC Collection Management Database/System
  - c. Dahlquist Light features downtown (Keeping item on the agenda, no action at this time)

For the Good of the Order - Group Discussion/New Ideas (10 Min)
Adjournment (Sara Sherman)

Next Scheduled PAC Meeting: Wednesday, January 6, 2020, 12:00 Noon

Logistics to be Determined