



Public Art Commission Meeting Minutes

Stephen Maruska, Chair
Joyce Volp, Vice Chair
Stephanie Brueggemann
Trina Homstad
Lauri Maloney
Susan Paulsen

Thursday, September 12, 2019

4:00 PM

Miller Activity Complex
1375 W. Plum Creek Parkway
Castle Rock, CO 80109

This meeting is open to the public. All times indicated on the agenda are approximate. Three or more Councilmembers may also attend this meeting, during which the items listed herein will be discussed.

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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PUBLIC COMMENT

During this time, members of the public are invited to address the Commission and staff on items that are not on the agenda. Comments should be limited to four minutes.

None.

AGENDA TOPICS

[PAC 2019-050](#) **Introduction of New Commissioner Trina Homstad**

The Commissioners welcomed the newly appointed member, Trina Homstad, to the Public Art Commission. Trina introduced herself and expressed excitement towards the opportunity to be positively involved in the community.

[PAC 2019-051](#) **Approval of the Minutes of August 8, 2019**

Vice Chair Joyce Volp motioned and Susan Paulsen seconded the approval of the minutes of the August 8, 2019 Public Art Commission meeting.

I move to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2019 Public Art Commission meeting.

[PAC 2019-052](#) **Public Art Fund Update**

Staff provided Commissioners with an update regarding the current state of the Public Art Fund.

PAC 2019-053 Discussion/Direction: Cindy Welch Paintings

In August, local watercolor painter Cindy Welch attended the Public Art Commission meeting to present two paintings for the Commission's consideration of purchase - a painting of the Rock and a painting of Castle Rock Fire and Rescue Station 151. At its September meeting, the Commission discussed the opportunity and conceded that they were not interested in pursuing a purchase at this point in time, largely due to previous purchases in 2019 and anticipated 2020 budget priorities.

PAC 2019-054 Discussion/Direction: Artfest Recap

The Public Art Commission attended 2019 Artfest to generate interest and community awareness around public art in Castle Rock. At the table, Commissioners hosted a paint-by-numbers of the Rock and distributed informational fliers. Supplies for the painting project and the production of fliers cost \$375.

Several Commissioners commented that many artfest attendees really enjoyed the paint-by-numbers activity. Susan Paulsen noted that many kids participated on Sunday and did an excellent job of contributing to the project. Susan also noted that the wind did become a slight issue.

Stephanie Brueggemann tracked participation and over 60 people helped by painting sections of the art piece. Stephanie further suggested framing the piece so it can be placed in a public space like the Philip S. Miller Library, noting that hanging the piece may continue to generate interest in public art. Stephanie also suggested posting on social media in future years to notify people of opportunities to participate at events. Vice Chair Joyce Volp offered to talk to the library about the possibility of hanging the piece.

Lauri Maloney directed staff to complete a rough inventory of the leftover fliers to get a base estimate for future orders.

PAC 2019-055 Tree of Wings Project Update

Commissioners discussed their scheduled visit to John King Arts, LLC in Lyons, Colorado and confirmed the itinerary. This special meeting will be held on Thursday, September 26. Attendees will meet at the Miller Activity Complex parking lot at 10 am and shuttle in a van to the studio. Chair Steve Maruska asked if there were any suggestions from Commissioners unable to attend the studio visit. Susan Paulsen expressed that she had no concerns. Lauri Maloney noted that she would like the Commission to ensure the sculpture's trunk was representative of the trunk in the original sculpture rendering.

PAC 2019-056 Review of the Castle Rock Public Art Commission Public Art Plan

The Commission reviewed the goals of the Public Art Commission Public Art Plan approved by Town Council in October 2017. After the review, the Commission discussed prioritizing working towards Goal 3 in 2020, which is to, "Create

pedestrian-scale art experiences downtown that add vitality and encourage people to walk around.” The Commission directed staff to invite Kristen Bowling of the Downtown Alliance to their November meeting to receive an update on what the Alliance envisions and plans for art in Downtown Castle Rock over the next few years.

STAFF COMMENTS

[PAC 2019-057](#) **Staff Updates**

Staff provided the Commission with updates regarding the following items:

Commission Vacancy

Due to an upcoming deployment and inability to attend future meetings, Andre Fleurette has effectively resigned from the Commission. Staff Liaison Maia Aman is working with Chair Steve Maruska to schedule interviews with several applicants who have applied since the general recruitment period in May with the purpose of filling the vacancy.

Castle Rock Museum Painting and Print

In July, the Commission motioned to approve the purchase of a frame and mat for the print of the watercolor painting of the Castle Rock Museum. This commissioned painting was donated to the Castle Rock Museum through a Public Art Commission and Historic Preservation Board partnership in May. In August, the Commission selected a frame and mat color, which was available to view at the September meeting. The Commission directed staff to research locations available to hang the piece at the Castle Rock Community Senior Center or possibly in the Recreation Center. Staff will present options at the October meeting.

Castle Rock Art Cooperative

The Castle Rock Art Cooperative (CRAC) is in the process of establishing artist, sponsor and supporter membership levels, as well as re-developing its website. Commissioners are also welcome to attend a social that will be hosted by CRAC on Wednesday, September 18 at Riverwalk North. The event will be open to artists and people interested in supporting CRAC going forward.

COMMISSION AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

None.

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