



Public Art Commission Meeting Minutes

Jen Perry, Chair
Stephanie Brueggemann, Vice Chair
Katie Gasper
Kenneth Greenberg
Julisa Morris
Ann O'Leary
Samantha Wood

Thursday, September 8, 2022

4:00 PM

Central Service Center
1400 Caprice Drive
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.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Stephanie Brueggemann at 4:00 p.m. Staff Liaison Maia Aman was present. Chair Jennifer Perry attended by phone.

No members of the public were in attendance; no public comment was received.

Present 7 - Vice Chair Stephanie Brueggemann, Commissioner Julisa Morris, Commissioner Samantha Wood, Vice Chair Jen Perry, Commissioner Kenneth Greenberg, Commissioner Ann O'Leary, and Commissioner Katie Gasper

AGENDA TOPICS

[PAC 2022 -039](#) **Approval of the Minutes**

Ken Greenberg motioned and Julisa Morris seconded the approval of the minutes of the August 11, 2022 Public Art Commission meeting. Chair Jen Perry and Samantha Wood were not present during the approval of the minutes.

"I move to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2022 Public Art Commission meeting."

Yes: 5 - Vice Chair Brueggemann, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Greenberg, Commissioner O'Leary, and Commissioner Gasper

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner Wood, and Vice Chair Perry

[PAC 2022 -040](#) **Staff Updates**

Staff reminded members of the appreciation event that is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, September 27 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Millhouse at Philip S. Miller Park for all Town board and commissions.

[PAC 2022 -041](#) **Artfest Planning**

Members reviewed the volunteer schedule, supply list and logistics for attending Castle Rock's 2022 Artfest on Saturday, September 10 and Sunday, September 11. The Commission plans to host a rock painting activity as they did the previous year.

[PAC 2022 -042](#) **Parking Garage Banner Art Call Selection Process**

In August, subcommittee members met to determine the selection process and timeline to choose a finalist from the nearly 200 submissions received to the issued Call for Entries for

parking garage banner designs. The subcommittee plans to prioritize jurying the completed submissions and select a finalist for recommendation to the Commission at-large in October. Ann O'Leary suggested including the name(s) of the artist on the final design. Chair Jen Perry noted that the banners could provide a wonderful and positive public relations opportunity to tell the story of public art in Castle Rock.

PAC 2022 -043 **Groovy Peace Sign**

Over the past year or so, the Public Art Commission has discussed potential options for addressing the damage of Tribal Jam, the sculpture located near the skate park at Metzler Ranch Community Park. The sculpture was commissioned by the Town's Public Art Commission in 2003 through artist Rik Sargent. The artwork featured three totem sculptures along with concrete reliefs covering approximately 150 linear feet of wall along the skate park. The project was unveiled as part of the park's grand opening celebration. In total, the Town paid \$20,000 for the artworks, plus an additional \$22 per linear foot of wall for the relief work, no less than \$7,722.

Overtime, landscaping has overtaken the totems and one has been removed. It is unknown by staff as to the general timeframe of the removal or rationale behind the removal. The remaining sculpture has also experienced significant damage, likely from water erosion and its inner casing is presently exposed to elements via a hole that sits near its top. Options the Commission has considered are to either restore the sculpture through its Maintenance and Conservation Program or to deaccession the sculpture, which would permanently remove the piece from the Town's Public Art Collection. If the sculpture was removed, it could potentially be replaced with a new sculpture.

After some discussion, it was determined that the best course of action would be to initiate steps to deaccession the existing artwork and find a more affordable and more resilient replacement. An artwork proposed as an option is called Groovy Peace Sign, created by artist Terry Malesky. This piece is presently featured in the Douglas County Art Encounters Programs in Highlands Ranch and is listed for a purchase price of \$8,500. If purchased while in the program, the Commission would receive a 15% discount, reducing the price to \$7,225. Members then motioned and approved the purchase of the sculpture. Staff noted they would schedule a future agenda item to continue the discussion related to deaccessioning Tribal Jam from the collection.

"I move to approve purchasing Groovy Peace Sign of artist Terry Malesky for the price of \$8,500 minus the 15% jurisdictional discount."

Yes: 7 - Vice Chair Brueggemann, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Wood, Vice Chair Perry, Commissioner Greenberg, Commissioner O'Leary, and Commissioner Gasper

PAC 2022 -044 **Castle Rock Fire Department Watercolor Painting**

Members of Town leadership expressed interest in purchasing a watercolor painting called Castle Rock Fire Department by artist Cindy Welch. The painting features Castle Rock's very own fire station in downtown Castle Rock, along with a vintage truck. The painting is 27 inches by 21 inches and would become part of the Town's public art collection upon purchase. The purchase, however, would not be funded through the Public Art Fund. In August, the Commission approved the purchase. Staff provided an update that a check request has been approved and they are coordinating a time to meet with the artist to obtain the painting for installation at a location to be determined by Fire Chief Norris Croom. Chair Jen Perry asked if the Town could obtain rights to use the image in promotions or with community outreach and the Commission directed staff to research creating a contract for this purpose.

[PAC 2022 -045](#) Public Art Planning

Members continued discussing items regarding its next public art plan. A list of community engagement strategies was distributed for general review and members determined to prioritize the list in October. Members also discussed the goal of creating an art destination through a sculpture garden or walk. In August, the Commission toured a potential site downtown near the East Plum Creek Trail and along First Street. Members expressed concerns over the safety of the area, as well as the significant amount of stuff present surrounding the businesses. Chair Jen Perry suggested the need to potentially write the plan with identifying a location as a goal. Members also discussed the tour of a private home in Centennial featuring a background sculpture garden.

COMMISSION / COUNCIL COMMENTS

Stephanie Brueggemann noted that Denver is participating in World Art Drop Day on the first Tuesday of September and suggested that Castle Rock could do something similar or participate in future years if there is interest. Stephanie also mentioned that Thornton was featured in the Castle Rock News Press as they have Commissioned a 34-foot tall sculpture that will be the largest 3d printed sculpture of its kind in the United States.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:05 p.m.