

City of Akron
Public Art Commission
Wednesday, February 9, 2022
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

In Attendance

Commissioners: Jon Fiume, Dara Harper, Jill Bacon Madden, Danika Stevenson, Laura Butterworth, Katie Beck and Kat Wentz.

City Staff: Vonsheay Brown, Summer Hall

I. Call to order - Kat Wentz 3:00pm.

II. Vote -Kat Wentz motion to approve minutes of January 12, 2022

- a. Minutes approved/ Jon Fiume motioned and Jill Maddon 2nd
- b. All commissioners in favor of approving minutes.

III. Amending Commission Rules

- a. All submittable applications or application for public art must be received four weeks in advance of next PAC meeting
- b. To remain on the Commission, members must attend three fourths of all Commission meetings (9 out of the 12) meetings yearly

IV. Vote- Kat Wentz motion to approve amended rules

- a. Rules approved/ Kate Beck motioned and Dannika Stevenson 2nd
- b. All commissioners in favor of approving rules.

V. Old Business – Order put out from Summer Hall to city department on removal of Devo Tire install of city property

VI. New Business- Public Art Commissioners needed to fill two empty seats and take on position of Vice Chair of Commission

- a. Larissa Brown sent in letter of resignation
- b. Wards 3, 6, and 7 representation is needed
- c. Please instruct potential Commissioners to send resume to Summer Hall

VII. Budget -\$25,000 dollars is portioned from the \$100,000 philanthropic gift. Readjust portion to Design Local, restorative services, curative services and future projects collaborations from commission

- a. Readjust Design Local to \$5,000 based on \$100 an hour service needed
- b. Use remaining budget to clean up the public art we currently have
- c. Research cost of restorative fees for Rubber City Statue, and welcome signs into Akron
- d. Budget is all expenses, no tiffs will be allocated until possible 2024
- e. All grants submitted on behalf of the Commission was be public art related and the Commission will need submit all paperwork to City official to apply

- f. The \$25,000 budget cannot cover website/ submittable software updates, administrative fees or branding or logo work for the commissioners or trainings for commissioners
- g. The Commission can be supported in funding by capital improvement projects (through the City), general operating budget (the City), the TIFF, and grants from private entities or philanthropic organizations.
- h. New Budget Lines - Portion of \$100,000 gift
 - 1. New Public Art Projects \$15,000
 - 2. Public Art Assessment & Maintenance \$5,000
 - 3. Discretionary \$5,000
- i. Keep \$3,000 branding of Commission grant separate from Commission work budget for the approval from the City Council

VIII. Vote to Amend Budget- Kat motion to approve amended budget

- a. Amended budget approved/ Jill Maddon motioned and Dara Harper 2nd
- b. All commissioners in favor of approving the amended budget .

IX. Public property vs Private property -Summer Hall will provide the mapping of private property vs. city property for public art

X. Public Comments - No Public Comments

XI. Meeting Adjourned - All in favor, meeting ends 4:03pm