

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 4 pm

In attendance: Larissa Brown (Vice Chair), Kat Wentz (Secretary), Jon Fiume (Commissioner), Katie Beck (Commissioner), Stephanie Leonardi (Commissioner), Erik Reynolds (Chair), and Summer Hall (Liaison)

1. Call meeting to order
 - A. The meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm.
2. Approval of the previous meeting minutes
 - A. Kat motioned to approve the minutes, which Jon seconded. No one opposed so the minutes were approved.
3. APAC Logo presentation – Triad with Rick Krochka – President
 - A. The team from TRIAD including Laura, Lia, and Rick explained the Design4Good program and presented the logo concepts they developed for the Akron Public Art Commission. Kat and Larissa asked what TRIAD would need from us. They asked to narrow it down to 1 and let them know before the next meeting so that they can present the coloring of the logo. Rick suggested that the commission review the logos, provide feedback, narrow it down to one option, and let Summer liaise the commission's feedback to TRIAD.
4. Public Inventory
 - A. The City of Akron's law department is working on Mac Love's contract for the public art inventory project. Mac would like to attend the meeting next month to go through the project and ask for feedback. Erik questioned the payment terms. The commission talked it through and agreed to the half payment up front and half payment upon completion. The commission agreed to keep the original timeframe but make adjustments to the dates to keep in line with the delay on the city's end with flexibility as determined by the commission. Summer will request that Mac attends the commission's monthly meetings to provide 15-minute updates on his progress.
5. Rebranding & Community Engagement
 - A. Jon brought up the importance of being aware of the feedback from the community that the commission's logo could bring. Jon also questioned the city's guidelines regarding logos, which Summer should look into before we provide TRIAD with any feedback. Regarding the coloring, Jon mentioned that we should be mindful of the costs related to coloring, to which Summer agreed.
 - B. The art commission's website will be tied to the City of Akron's website, though it will still be separate.
1. Upcoming Public Art Events
 - A. Saber Tooth invited Katie Beck and 3 other commission members as VIPs to attend their opening event on May 19. Katie asked folks to let her know so she could share their contact information with Elisa and Marissa.
 - B. Kat brought up Downtown Akron Partnership's event this Saturday to volunteer to paint the STEM Plaza with Boa Mistra.
 - C. Ohio Arts Council's Governor's Award event is next Wednesday, so commissioners should let Summer know as soon as possible if they are interested in attending.
2. Reading of public comments
 - A. No one opposed so the minutes were approved.
3. Adjournment
 - A. Kat motioned to adjourn the meeting, which Jon seconded. No one opposed so the meeting was adjourned at 5:01 pm.