

Lee's Summit Arts Council
Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2021

Call to Order. Kemp called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

Attendance. Members in attendance: Kemp Strickler, Jennifer De Luca, Jane Bollin, Jeannine Akins, Jazz Rucker. Members absent: John Schuler, Jody Fristoe, John Hardesty, Jeff Bertoncin. Staff present: Glenda Masters, Cultural Arts Manager. City Council liaison present: Hillary Shields.

Approval of August Minutes. Jane moved to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Jazz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Budget Report -Cultural Arts YTD Report. Glenda reported that there were no major changes to the report on the budget other than project expenses for non-Arts Council related activities.

New Business

Sculpture Walk 2022 Preparation. Glenda gave a quick update on the planning for next year's Downtown Sculpture Walk in that the artist call is being updated is expected to go live sometime in November. She will send a draft to the public art committee for feedback.

Lee's Summit West High School Recycled Paint Mural. Glenda also informed the Arts Council on a spring project that will include a partnership between Arts Council, Public Works and visual arts students at Lee's Summit West High School. Students will be asked to submit concept drawings for painting one of the City's recycle dumpsters with recycled paint. The City's Public Works department asked if the Arts Council could jury the student designs and select the winning proposal. The art teacher at LSWHS would like to have the project simulate a real-world art commission process as a learning opportunity for the students. The dumpster would be painted in April to coincide with Earth Day.

Old Business

Boards and Commissions Reorganization Update. The presentation that Glenda and other staff are presenting to City Council regarding the structure of the advisory commissions' realignment has been schedule for November 16. Councilmember Shields asked the Arts Council how they felt about the possible realignment with Beautification Commission and Historic Preservation Commission. Feedback was supportive in understanding the City's desire to merge the three groups together. Jeannine noted that she saw commonalities between the three groups and thought that coming together would be a positive move. Jane also shared support for the realign and made the reminder that the new group would need strong leadership and direction. Overall the group felt that plan to realign was positive, so long as the City was able to ensure strong leadership for the new advisory commission that maintained cohesive planning between the three different focus areas and aligned with City goals. Glenda reminder the Council that the Mayor would appoint members to the group and the new commissioners would appoint officers, including a chairperson.

Green Street Market Project Programming Stakeholder Meetings. The management firm for Green St. held three public information gathering sessions today. This was to learn from the public what types of events and programs people would like to see take place at the future Green St. Market.

Roundtable. Jane has been asked by the Mayor to be on the site selection committee for the Parade of Hearts project. Lee's Summit may potentially have up to 4 hearts installed. She asked for ideas on

possible locations. Some ideas shared: Downtown LS, New Longview area, Lowenstein Park, Lea McKeighan Park, Unity Village (art park), Legacy Trail, Green St. The hearts are expected to be installed in March.

Adjournment. Kemp adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm. Next meeting will be November 22 at 6:30pm.

Minutes submitted by Glenda Masters, Cultural Arts Manager.