



## LIBERTY ARTS COMMISSION

### MEETING AGENDA

January 10, 2019 6:00 p.m.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room City Hall

#### I. Attendance

Jane Boswell, Greg Duncan, Katie Gregory, Shane Immelt, Heather Jones, Anna Knackstedt, Carol Kariotis, Aaron Money, Bill Stilfield, Nathan Wyman, Phil Young

#### II. Approval of Meeting Summary:

December 13, 2018

#### III. Current Business

##### Election of Officers- Written Ballot

Nomination(s) for President: Shane Immelt & Nathan Wyman

Nominations(s) for VP: Katie Gregory

##### Sculpture-

##### Selection Panel Appointments

##### Bed Tax - 2019 Budget for the Arts

Programming Budget Approved by City Council for 2019:

Make Music Day 2019 \$3,175

Sculpture Program \$40,500

Exhibits \$1,700

Arts Grant Programs \$11,000

##### Public Art Update- Exhibits

Carol

#### IV. Other Business

Liberty Arts Foundation

Greg / Heather / Shane

Art Partner Reports

All

#### V. Adjournment

**Next Meeting: February 7, 2019 at City Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conf. Rm (No joint meeting with Parks as previously reported)**

The Liberty Arts Commission is the arts advocacy agency for the City of Liberty. We serve as a catalyst – to support, sustain, and strengthen our community by increasing awareness, opportunities, and public involvement in local arts and cultural activities.

*Elevator will provide access to the third floor for meetings in the Third Floor Conference Room.*

## Liberty Arts Commission Meeting Summary

December 13, 2018 6:00 pm City Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room

**Present were Commissioners:** Jane Boswell, Katie Gregory, Carol Kariotis, Anna Knackstedt, Greg Duncan, Shane Immelt, Nathan Wyman, Phil Young. **Absent:** Bill Stilfield, Heather Jones and Aaron Money. Jeanine Thill, Community Development Manager and Mike Peterman, City Planning Manager represented City Staff.

**Guests:** Greg Canuteson and Kevin Graham representing the Great Americans project.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

### Current Business-

Mr. Peterman explained that a request for investment in public art in lieu of tree replacement is being proposed to help fund the Great Americans project, per the memo in the packet. Tonight the Arts Commission needs to decide if the proposed sculpture is Public Art.

Ford is requesting to forego planting 82 trees which equates into \$20,500.

Mr. Canuteson said they are proposing a statue of a suffragette. Those being considered are Ida B. Wells, Carrie Catt, Belva Lockwood, Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton. The statue will likely be placed on the SE Corner of the Courthouse Square, on County property. They are working with the County to provide the base. For the first two sculptures, the City provided the landscaping and base for each. An unveiling will be July 3, 2019. They are still raising funds to pay for the sculpture.

Commissioner Boswell made a motion that the Arts Commission deems the proposed sculpture as public art. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gregory. The motion passed 7-0-0.

This will be considered by City Council on December 17.

**Transient Guest Tax Committee** – Commissioner Knackstedt reported that the committee will be having a strategy meeting in January to discuss future projects and direction. She added that the Arts Commission may want come up with a strategy for the sculptures and the placement. Councilman Duncan said the strategy is in place; to have the rotating sculptures downtown and place them permanently around the community. That *is* the strategy and we must articulate this to the Tourism committee. There is a map of the locations that are viable options for placing sculptures permanently. Councilman Duncan added we don't want the committee's assumptions to become our reality. Commissioner Boswell asked where she can see that this was the intended use of the Transient Guest Tax funds.

Councilman Duncan said it is very clear that the promise to the voters was for public art. We made a promise to the voters and we have to keep that promise, part of this was also to offer art grants and to help fund Make Music Day. There was excel documents that listed these projects and the Mayor shared this information with the voters. Duncan will send copies of the election materials outlining the priorities and promises to the voters.

### Sculpture Program-

**People's Choice Voting on Otocast App.** Votes as of December 12th were; 10 for Open Heart, 7 for Thought of Treble Clef, 5 for The Other Extreme, 4 for Art Tubular and zero for Spiral Blooms.

**Placement of Plumb Twisted Sculpture** – The Parks Board suggested a joint meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center to discuss the permanent placement of Plumb Twisted. Councilman Duncan commented we already met with them and made our request to have the sculpture placed in front of the Community Center. Staff will meet in January to determine the best way to proceed and determine if a joint meeting is necessary. Per the Art Acquisition policy, we should designate a selection committee to review public art. Staff will ask the jury from last year if they are interested in serving on this. Commissioner Immelt asked if Plumb Twisted could be temporarily placed somewhere. Perhaps we should consider the Water Treatment Plant on Birmingham as an alternate location.

**Public Art Update-** Vice Chair Kariotis reported she put up an exhibit at the Community Center. It is difficult to get artist to want to display at that venue due to the logistics of where the work can be displayed. The William Jewell exhibit will feature Sherry Whetstone and asked if we could have reception at the exhibit in early 2019. She would propose to have a reception for up to 60-70 people, spending about \$150 for the reception. Commissioner Wyman said the college is thrilled about the partnership and may chip in for the reception. The Theatre lobby area is a designated alcohol space that may be used for this event. The Artisan Market will be hanging the next exhibit in the City Hall atrium. Shane Immelt is at the Library. The City Employee Exhibit scheduled for February and March has been expanded to include family and city council members. The Poetry on the Square and More schedule has been sent out.

### **Other Business**

Liberty Arts Foundation – Commissioner Duncan said there is nothing to report. Sharing the mailing list with artists for marketing purposes was approved, mailing labels will be provided.

William Jewell College - Commissioner Wyman reported there are no arts events until the students return in January.

The Corbin Theatre- Commissioner Boswell reported that Tuna Christmas will be at the Corbin Theatre tomorrow night and Saturday On the Dec. 22 a Jazz band will play. They will have a fundraiser for Meals on Wheels on Dec 21 at 7pm at the Corbin.

Monday from 7-8 at the Library Shane will have a Meet the Artist event.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Immelt. Motion passed.

**Elections will occur at the January meeting and final review of the 2019 budget for LAC. This will be a pot luck meeting, please bring something to share.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:08 pm.

Next Meeting: January 10, 2019