

## Public Arts Board Minutes

Rooms 202 & 203 Birmingham City Hall – August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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### A. Roll Call:

**Members Present:** Rabbi Baruch Cohen, Monica Neville, Linda Wells, Barbara Heller, Jason Eddleston, Amelia Berry (Student), Cole Wohlfiel (Student)

**Members Absent:** Mary Roberts, Anne Ritchie

**Administration:** Brooks Cowan, City Planner

### B. Approval of Minutes – July 25, 2018

Monica Neville mentioned that only the poster design was discussed, not pamphlets as the minutes suggested. Motion to approve the meeting minutes as amended for July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 was made by Rabbi Cohen, seconded by Monica Neville.

**Yeas: 5            Nays: 0**

The motion carried.

### C. Committee Report

The Public Arts Board committee reports began with the Alleys and passages groups. Rabbi Baruch Cohen indicated that his group needs to come up with a proposal for an art in the alley event that includes a basic outline of ideas. Once this is put together they would like to schedule a meeting with property owners.

The branding group indicated that they are still working on putting together the image designs. They also created a master inventory of sculptures and art works donated to the city. The group would like all photos of donated art pieces uploaded to a shared drive to incorporate with master inventory sheet.

Public art tours and lectures indicated changes for the public art map and indicated that plans are a work in progress. They would like to see the map uploaded to the website.

Art gallery tours had no update.

Artistic self-expression had input on how Day in Town went and had suggestions for upcoming Farmers Markets. The easels are too flimsy for drawing, it was discovered that they are display easels, not drawing easels. Having signs, brochures, and pamphlets would also help attract people. Kid items such as drawing books were a popular item and more tables and benches or chairs would help.

Free pianos indicated they would like a map of potential sites around Birmingham for Piano's to be placed.

## **D. New Business**

An Addendum to the sculpture loan agreements allowing photographic use of the sculptures had been distributed to artists and their reps. The City Attorney's office put the addendum together for all sculptures on loan that needed to have the addendum signed. The City is waiting on two more signatures. Posters will be able to be distributed once signed addendums have been received and are approved by City Commission.

The Art Board is volunteering at upcoming farmers market. Rabbi Cohen indicated he will be late due to family obligations. Planning Board liason Brooks Cowan indicated he would do the Board a huge favor and help volunteer that morning. The Art Board indicated that they would follow the agenda more closely because of this favor.

## **Communication**

Kroger had submitted necessary drawings and received approvals from City departments. We are now waiting on installation.

Robert Lobe received approvals from City departments for his installation at Booth Park. He was notified that he is in charge for all transportation and installation costs, as per the loan agreement.

## **Comments**

Barbara Heller indicated that upon research, Marshall Fredericks "Veteran's Memorial" is actually named "Peace Memorial." Monica Neville motioned to change the name in the informational pamphlets to "Peace Memorial," Jason Eddleson seconded the motion.

Yays: 5 Nays: 0

Motion Passed Unanimously

Barbara Heller also indicated she would like to see the website updated and the PDF of the sculpture map indicated.

## **E. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

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Brooks Cowan  
City Planner