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248-530-1800

NOTICE OF MEETING - PUBLIC ARTS BOARD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a meeting of the Public Arts Board will take place on **Wednesday, November 20th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.** in conference room 202/203 of the Municipal Building. Approved minutes of this meeting will be available on the City's website at www.bhamgov.org.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN in accordance with Act 261, 1968 Public Act 267.

MEETING AGENDA

***** Board members who are not able to attend this meeting are encouraged to notify the staff representative in advance for consideration of a quorum. *****

- A. Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes – October 16th, 2019
- C. Unfinished Business
 - 1. Terminating Vistas**
 - 2. Michigan Spring**
- D. New Business
 - 1. 2020 Agenda Items**
- E. Communication
 - 1. Sculpture Map is on website**
 - 2. The Counselor "Chris Yockey"**
 - 3. Eastern Hophornbeam installation**
 - 4. Piano Removal**
- F. Public Comments
- G. Adjournment

Upcoming PAB Meeting: December 18th, 2019

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Public Arts Board Minutes DRAFT

Rooms 202 & 203 Birmingham City Hall – October 16th, 2019

A. Roll Call:

Members Present: Linda Wells, Barbara Heller, Monica Neville, Jason Eddleston,

Members Absent: Natalie Bishae, Anne Ritchie

Administration: Brooks Cowan, City Planner

B. Approval of Minutes – September 16th, 2019

Spelling error on Jason Eddleston, motion to approve as amended.

Yeas: 4 Nays: 0

The motion carried.

C. Unfinished Business

The Public Arts Board was asked to review ways to enhance the designated terminating vistas throughout the City. The board evaluated photos of each terminating vista and determined that their top five are numbers 1,2,9,16, and 17 as listed in the memo. Painting the bollards on the corner of Old Woodward and Maple was suggested, as well as decorating the building space above Bowers where the 555 Building passes over. These suggestions will be considered with the Board's pre-qualified art locations at the next meeting as the Board continues to evaluate these locations. The Board also wanted to pursue a greater reach of partnerships in their sculpture plan.

The Public Arts Board was evaluating designs for two electrical boxes, though Anne Ritchie was not in attendance. Since the weather was getting cold the Board felt they could discuss these items later on in the year.

The Board discussed doing a call entry for new sculptures. They would like to approach Cranbrook, CCS, Knight Foundation and similar programs involved in the art community for assistance on new sculptures. The Board felt doing this was appropriate after prioritizing sculpture locations in the terminating vista study.

A new logo has been submitted for Art in Public Spaces. The Board had a few comments and requests for changes to made to be reviewed at a future time

D. Communication

Purchasing Chris Yockey's sculpture will be voted on at City Commission end of October.

Comments

E. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



MEMORANDUM

Planning Division

DATE: November 20th, 2019

TO: Public Arts Board Members

FROM: Brooks Cowan, City Planner

APPROVED: Jana Ecker, Planning Director

SUBJECT: Terminating Vistas

The Public Arts Board has been directed to examine possible ways to enhance the City's Terminating Vistas through the use of public art. Birmingham's Downtown Overlay Plan identifies multiple intersections as Terminating Vistas where Section 3.04(E)(15) states:

Any building that terminates a view, as designated on the Regulating Plan, shall provide distinct and prominent architectural features of enhanced character and visibility, which reflect the importance of the building's location and create a positive visual landmark.

Photos of Terminating Vistas are provided below. As of now, an electrical box has been painted as a popcorn box at S. Old Woodward and Merrill, while it has been recommended that the electrical box at Oakland and N. Old Woodward be painted as a crayon box while the box on Merrill in front of Chase Bank be painted as a Game Boy. Meanwhile, the Terminating Vista site at S. Old Woodward and Woodward has a vacant sculpture pad since Mark DiSuvero's Choopy was removed in July of 2019. It is also of note that the intersections with designated Terminating Vistas of Willits and N. Old Woodward has the sculpture *Torso* by Herb Babcock, and *LOL* by Kirk Newman is placed at Maple and Peabody.

On October 16th, 2019, The Public Arts Board reviewed photos of the Terminating Vistas and Determined that the ones they want to prioritize for sculptures are number 1,2,9,16, and 17.

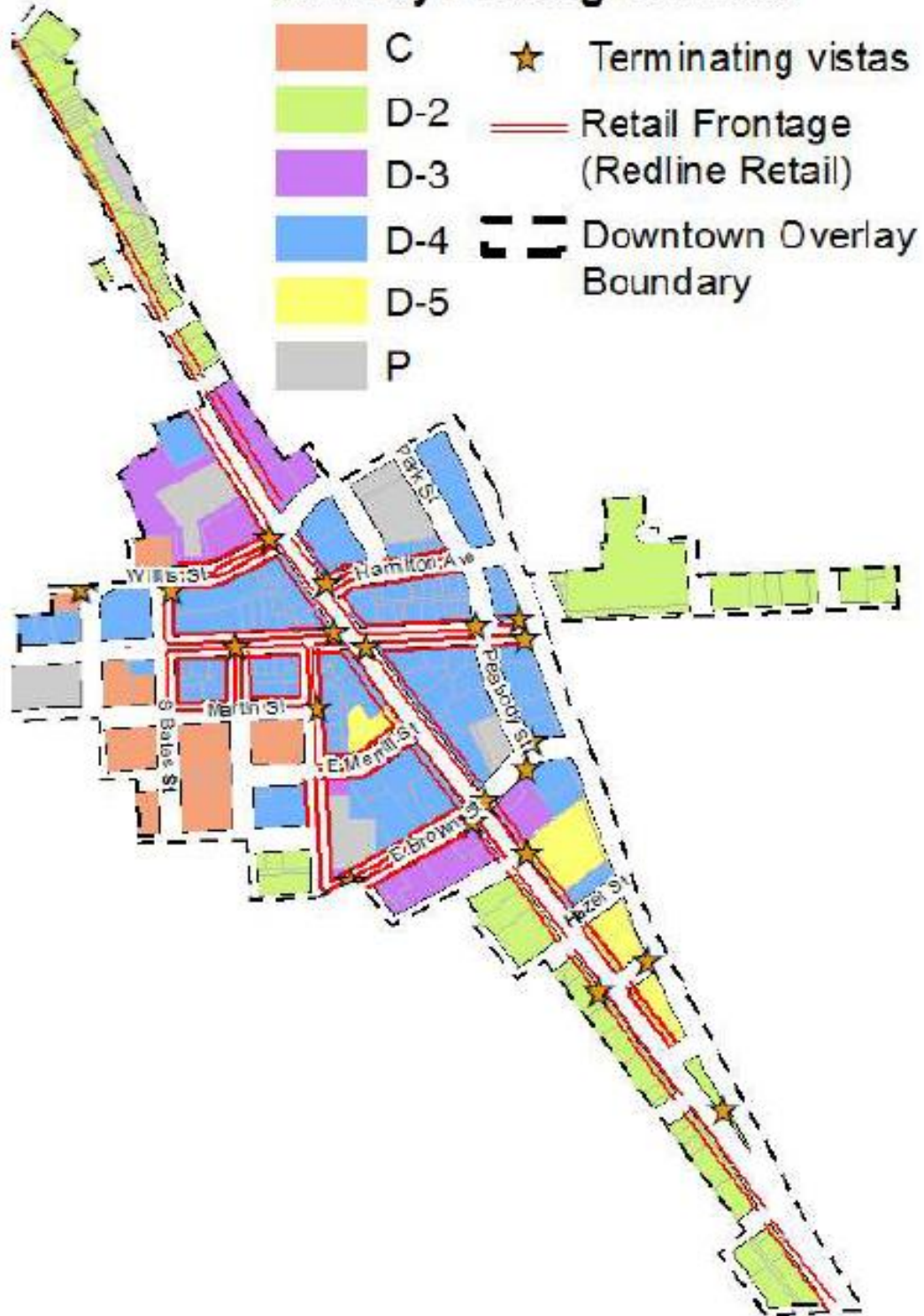
Upon discussion with the Engineering Department in regards to repaving Maple Rd, the Terminating Vista at Maple at Henrietta (#3) will have design elements meant for an art sculpture. Meanwhile the space where #9 is located will be removed, therefore it is recommended that #9, is replaced by #3.

The Public Arts Board has previously approved a map of prioritized public art locations. It is recommended that the map is updated with terminating vista recommendations and the status of new sculpture pads.

City of Birmingham - Pre-qualified Public Art Site Locations



Overlay Zoning Districts



1.) Chester & Willits:



2.) Bates & Willits:



3.) Maple & Henrietta:



4.) Martin & Pierce



5.) Old Woodward & Maple (NW Corner)



6.) Old Woodward & Maple (SE Corner)



7.) Hamilton and N. Old Woodward



8.) Willits & N. Old Woodward



9.) Park & Maple



10.) Maple and Woodward



11.) Peabody & Brown (South)



12.) Peabody & Brown (North)



13.) S. Old Woodward & Brown



14.) S. Old Woodward & Daines



15.) S. Old Woodward & Bowers (West Side)



16.) S. Old Woodward & Bowers (East Side)



17.) S. Old Woodward & Woodward



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SUBJECT: Michigan Spring

The City of Birmingham accepted a donation of the sculpture "Michigan Spring" and decided on the library for the location. Issues regarding the installation have been brought up, and the Public Arts Board has previously recommended a two foot pedestal. A 6'x6' concrete pad has been poured as a base, and now the City is looking for direction on ways to attach the sculpture to the base. The City has been in communication with a mount fabricator for this project in regards to how it should be installed.

The sculpture is 8'6" in height, and photos have been provided with an 8'6" poster board to show this height in relation to the context of the site.











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SUBJECT: 2020 Agenda

The Public Arts Board planned multiple events for 2019 and carried through on a number of their goals. These plans included:

- Art in the Alley (modified to Dick O' Dow's)
- Piano in the Park
- Popcorn Electrical Box
- Yarn Bombing
- 4x Sculpture Pad installations
- 4x Farmers Markets (Lot 6 construction limited available spring time)
- 1x Sculpture Installation (Eastern Hophornbeam)
- Updated map placed on website

Below is an event schedule for 2020 from BSD. The PAB may wish to create a general outline of goals for 2020 which can then be narrowed down at meetings to come.

2020 BSD Events

Jan 27 – Jan 31 Birmingham Restaurant Week – “Dine Out Birmingham”

Feb 3- 7 – Birmingham Restaurant Week

May 3 – 18th Annual Opening Day Party - Farmers Market

June 12 – Movie Night

July 17 – Movie Night

July 25 – Day on the Town

August 9 – Corn Festival - Farmers Market

August 15 – Birmingham Cruise Event/Woodward Dream Cruise

August 21 – Movie Night

September 20 – Fall Festival - Farmers Market

October 25 – Pumpkin Festival - Farmers Market

November 28 – Small Business Saturday

November 28 - Santa Walk

December 4 – City Holiday Tree lighting

December 4 – 6 – Winter Markt

December weekends – Santa House & Carriage Rides



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SUBJECT: Communications

1. A new sculpture map has been placed on the City's Public Arts Board website. Labels and size of the photos will be adjusted to maximize aesthetics.
2. The City of Birmingham approved the purchase of Chris Yockey's "The Counselor" on October 28th, 2019 for \$5,500.
3. The Eastern Hophornbeam has been installed.
4. The Piano in Shain Park will need to be removed sometime before 2020.