

Minutes of the Southfield Public Arts Commission Meeting
Tuesday, January 21, 2020
5:30 PM
Conference Room A – Public Services Building

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM.

A. Roll Call:

Present: Barry, Flagg, Goldstein, Ligan, McTaggart, Milinsky, Reid (5:32 PM)

Absent: Pizana

Excused: Craigo, Kashdan

Also Present: Kyle Bryce, City Liaison; Marilyn Troshak, Parks & Recreation Programmer; Ken Siver, Mayor

Roll call determined that a quorum was present to conduct business.

B. Approval of Agenda:

**Motion to approve Agenda by Goldstein, second by Ligan.
Approved 6-0, 5:32 PM.**

C. Public Comment

Jainelle Robinson and Cameron Jenkins of ArtOps made a presentation before the commission. ArtOps is a local organization that provides counseling and support to musical non-profit organizations. ArtOps supports JazzEd Detroit, which seeks to expose young musicians to jazz and local resources.

D. Approval of Meeting Minutes: December 17, 2019

**Motion to approve December 17, 2019 meeting minutes by McTaggart, second by Goldstein.
Approved 7-0, 5:36 PM.**

E. Sub-Committee Reports:

I. **Financial Report [Reid, Bryce]:**

- FY 2019-20 [July 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019] reviewed.

Reid reviewed the latest financial report.

Bryce noted that a local Southfield company has donated funds to the Arts Commission, but the receipt is not noted on the report as Accounting has not signed off on processing the check.

II. **Fundraising (Strategies):**

- Mayor Siver stated that he is beginning to plan for fundraising events at the Brooks Barn.

III. **Masterplan/Design/installation & Maintenance:**

- *Ying-Yang* [Siver]: This piece was purchased by the Friends of Southfield Public Art and is being moved for restoration and storage until it is installed. This piece requires Council approval for installation. Barry to look into the

original color of the piece and obtaining the means to replicate the color scheme.

- Saarinen Figures [Siver]: Parks and Recreation has OK'd placement at Beech Woods—this still requires Council approval. Carol Forsyth to receive Great Lakes panels shortly for restoration.
- *Motown Mural* [Siver]: The panels have been moved from storage for examination. Some panels are in poor condition but others are excellent. Proposed installation in Southfield Pavilion on brick pillars facing City Hall.
- Hubert Massey [Siver/Bryce]: Siver is continuing to work with Massey at the Bell Rd. roundabout location to scale down the project. Bryce reported that the City Centre Advisory Board has authorized a contract with SMM Landscape Architects (who have worked with Massey previously) to prepare a preliminary concept and budget for the linear kneewall artwork along Northwestern Highway.
- *Moby Dick* plaque [Bryce]: Bryce reported that the plaque is ready and now that the sidewalk has been installed, the plaque will go in, weather permitting. The Commission's consensus was to install on the eastern side, closer to the library.
- *City of Southfield* relocation [Barry/McTaggart]: Due to utility work, the *City of Southfield* is partially disassembled. Barry and McTaggart proposed a new location in front of City Hall. This will require Engineering Review. Barry to research original coloring.

IV. Education & Outreach Program:

- Flagg reported the MLK Peace Walk was a great event. She thanked Commissioners who assisted. The SPAC booth generated interested about Southfield public art and added several names to the database.
- Juneteenth 2020 [Flagg]: Flagg presented a proposed flyer for the week's events.

G. Project Status Updates:

H. Board Member Comments:

- Ewick noted a bust of Malcom X that needs repair.
- A new gallery opened downtown: Collective Detroit.

I. Next Board Meeting:

- February 18, 2020, 5:30 PM.

J. Adjournment:

**Motion by to adjourn by Reid, second by McTaggart.
Approved 7-0, 6:56 PM.**

Prepared by Kyle Bryce, City Liaison