



ARTS AND HUMANITIES COMMISSION MINUTES
Meeting held electronically via Zoom
Meeting ID # 822 2448 2119

Our Vision: A well-planned lakeside community of quality neighborhoods, distinctive amenities, diverse employment, and cultural charm. Rowlett: THE place to live, work and play.

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

6:30 p.m.

Rowlett Public Library - 3900 Main Street

Due to the public health emergency and to conform with the social distancing requirements, the Arts and Humanities Commission meeting was held via teleconferencing. The public was provided an opportunity to submit comments for a specific agenda item or general comment through citizen email address.

- 1) Meeting called to order by Chair Jeff Winget at 6:32 p.m. and determined a quorum was present.
 - *Members present: Jeff Winget, Deborah Crosby, Gary Alexander, Kim Nurmi, Barbara Morrison and Neslie Fudge (arrived at 7:17 p.m.)*
 - *Members absent: JR. Forasteros*
 - *Staff present: Laura Tschoerner, Interim Library Director; Constance Whalon, Library Assistant; and Brenda Kennedy, Senior Administrative Assistant*

- 2) Chair selects voting alternate(s), if necessary.
 - *N/A*

- 3) Citizens' Input.
 - *N/A*

- 4) Consider approving the minutes from the regular meeting held Wednesday, July 22, 2020.
 - *Motion made by Gary to accept meeting minutes as written; seconded by Kim.*
 - *Motion approved 5-0.*

- 5) Review updates and take possible action on standing committee reports:
 - *Photography Contest*
 - *Jeff shared updates on an entry request from a prospective participant from the Greenville, Texas area, size of submission clarification, early arrival and follow-up with information on the judge for the contest.*
 - *Publicity*
 - *Publicity underway for Photography contest.*

- 6) Discuss current and future public art projects.
 - *Update on Kenwood Park wooden trees painting project*
 - *Discussion ensued on the project set for the daycare, Parts Department tentative pick-up of treetops for the following week and verification on the use of outdoor paint, perhaps supplied to the daycare. Will discuss possible paint cost reimbursement at September meeting.*
 - *Discuss maintenance policy*
 - *Jeff reported that the allocated funding for art maintenance included all sculptures. Maintenance quote from a professional conservation service, lists six sculptures (with exception of Spirit of*

Rowlett) and work to be completed and individual cost, totaling \$10,000. There was some discussion to include the Mark Twain statue as this was also donated to the City of Rowlett.

- Motion made by Deborah to proceed with sculpture maintenance of six sculptures, with the exception Spirit of Rowlett, as stated in quote. Cost not to exceed approved art maintenance budget of \$10,000. Kim seconded motion.
- Motion approved 5-0.
- Due to the amount of project, a purchase order will need to be processed; Brenda will check with Purchasing Department to verify if quotes are required from two Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB).
- Discuss James Moore's public art proposal.
 - Jeff will present art mural concept to Parks Advisory Board on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 for consensus; will recap at September meeting.
 - Discussion included representation of diversity, examples of contributions of past, present, and future, extension of different themes or subject matter, the concept of the three arches, interactive areas to engage the public, and a sense of people gathering with a focus on unity.
 - Consider alternate locations if Rowlett Community Centre is not a good option.

7) Public Announcements.

- *Reminder: Board and Commission reappointment application deadline, August 14, 2020*
- *Photography Contest entry take-in on August 21-22, 2020*
- *Boot Camp scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 2020 (Zoom meeting)*


8) Future topics.

- *Call to order*
- *Chair selects voting alternate(s), if necessary*
- *Citizens' Input*
- *Consider approving minutes from previous meeting*
- *Review updates and take possible action on standing committee reports:*
 - *Recap - Photography Contest*
 - *Calendar 2021*
 - *Publicity*
- *Discuss current and future public art projects*
 - *Recap - Kenwood Park wooden trees painting project*
 - *Recap - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board on Community Centre mural*
 - *Recap - public art maintenance policy*
- *Public announcements*
- *Future agenda items*
- *Adjourn*

9) Adjournment

- *Chair adjourned meeting at 7:38 p.m.*

Approved by the Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission:

Signature 

Date 9-8-2020