

MINUTES

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

FEBRUARY 1, 2022

2:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL MEETING

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xaivJxqvqE>

MEMBERS PRESENT: Betsy Towns, David Finn, Jane Doub, Cliff Dossel, Jennifer Finkel, Lisa Strout, Dara Silver, Jason Thiel (late)
MEMBERS ABSENT: Owens Daniels
STAFF PRESENT: Kelly Bennett
PRESIDING: Betsy Towns

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES

- January 4, 2022
- MOTION Cliff Dossel moved to approve the January 4 meeting minutes.
- SECOND David Finn
- VOTE Unanimous

III. PROJECT REPORTS

- Artistic Bus Shelters
 - Kelly Bennett reported that he is working to get the artists under contract and resolve issues, such as copyright and permission to use likeness, for some of the designs.
- Salem Parkway Bridge Art
 - Kelly Bennett reported that the RFP deadline has been extended to March 11.
- Downtown Sculpture
 - Kelly Bennett reported that the artist has been purchasing materials to begin project fabrication.
- Clemmons Library
 - Kelly Bennett reported that the committee visited the library and decided to use the courtyard for the artwork. Bennett is working on a draft RFP for the project.
- County Project
 - Kelly Bennett reported that he and Dara Silver met with the library's director to discuss a Covid documentation project. The library director spoke about a similar project that the library is undertaking, distributing journals to library branches and encouraging residents to write down their Covid experiences. The committee will discuss possibilities for collaboration with the library, possibly displaying artwork that emerges from the project.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- Jennifer Finkel discussed the ZSR Foundation's Inclusive Public Art grant, which will have applications open later in 2022.

- Lisa Strout discussed the possibility of helping the City's Recreation and Parks department by starting a mural project in areas where graffiti is a problem, such as at Quarry Park. Kelly Bennett will reach out to the Recreation and Parks Department to see if there is any interest. He will also reach out to architects of the overlook platform, where graffiti is an issue, to see if they would consider a mural appropriate to the vision of the structure.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

*Next Full Commission Meeting (Virtual):
March 1, 2022, 2:00 p.m.*