

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017
ART GALLERY, 6:00 P.M.
5039 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GA 30518**

In attendance were Chair John Lane, Members Marc Cohen, Kerry Murphy, Terence Mulligan, Dorothy Duckworth-Floyd, Terence Mulligan, Joyce Cutchins, guest Chris Walker, and staff liaison Nicole Klein

CALL TO ORDER 6:02 PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion to approve with the move of New Business item “a” above Old Business – Marc Cohen, Second by Kerry Murphy, All in favor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Arts Commission Meeting February 23, 2017

- Motion by Kerry Murphy, Second by Dorothy Duckworth-Floyd, All in Favor
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NEW BUSINESS

a. Suite Spot Mural Number 2

- a.** Chris Walker came in and presented his 5 part mural idea for the side of the Suite Spot Business Incubator to the group. The group enjoyed the aesthetics of the mural. Chris Walker mentioned that the Suite Spot Business incubator logo may change, and that the first panel would be modified to create a more diverse depiction of Sugar Hill. Terence Mulligan noted that the work lent itself to the community. This mural will be crowd-funded unlike the initial mural. Chris Walker said he would need about 50% of the funds, \$10K, to begin the mural process. This would include pressure washing the entire wall, priming, and prepping, as well as the initial cost of materials. This would also include the preliminary outline of the entire mural, so as to generate interest and enthusiasm and attract additional funders. There was talk about how we obtain this initial funding. Some ideas included finding sponsors, receiving funding from the developer, and crowd funding. John Lane mentioned crowd-funding and locating businesses to provide matching gifts. Marc Cohen said he would follow up with Scott Andrews and Paul Radford to determine if they had developed a plan on how to acquire initial funding yet.

At this time Member Marc Cohen exited the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Epicenter Construction Fence Update

- a.** No submissions yet. Kerry Murphy reached out to several artists and schools. Will report back next month and see if any progress has been made. Will renew advertising efforts in the meantime.

b. Website Update

- a. Failed to reach out and invite Mark Beasley to the meeting!
- b. Will get more photos for website.
- c. Piano
 - a. John Lane will deliver paint to Nicole Klein on 3/24/2017 and she will paint the piano the following week.
- d. Artist of the Month
 - a. Georgia Council for the Arts – Shaping the Future of the Arts in Georgia – April 10th.
 - a. May be good for brainstorming
 - b. Information for the Artist of the Month has been passed along to the North Gwinnett Arts Association. There is a meeting with them on 3/27/2017 to discuss displaying art in the Suite Spot. Dororthy Duckworth-Floyd requested to be involved in this meeting as she currently occupies the Suite Spot.

NEW BUSINESS

- b. Sugar Rush
 - a. The Arts Commission feels strongly about returning to a juried show this year and simply improving signage for the event. It provides a nice indoor break for festival goers to get out of the elements and eliminates the threat of the elements for the Commission. It allows the Commission to promote the City Art Gallery, Artist of the Month Applications, and encourage sign-up for news and events related to the Arts Commission.
 - b. An application fee vs. acceptance fee was discussed. It will be free to apply, but once accepted, the fee will be \$35.
 - c. Work can be posted for sale depending on the artists preference.
 - d. Kerry Murphy will work on an application and have it by next week.
 - 1. That application will call for a July 15th deadline to submit.
 - 2. The application will be advertised on multiple websites and potential magazines.
 - a. Burnaway
 - b. Chris Walker mentioned Zapp, will send details.
 - e. All present members of the Arts Commission felt strongly about providing a substantial prize for the selected winners of the juried exhibition.
 - 1. Prizes of \$1000 for first, \$500 for second, and \$250 for third were supported.

DISCUSSION

- a. Classes
 - a. Dorothy contacted a company that hosts paint nights.
 - 1. Expensive
 - b. She also presented a list calling for artists to teach a variety of classes including Painting, Drawing, Crafts, Photography, Jewelry, Floral Design, Sculpting, Music, Dance, Modeling, Acting, Singing, and Poetry.
 - 1. All Arts Commission Members present expressed excitement at this idea.

2. Kerry Murphy will create an application for the call at the specification of Dorothy
 3. Dorothy will reach out to the Rec. Department and see if they can put the Arts Commission in touch with anyone who has taught arts related classes at the Community Center in the past.
 4. Additional discussion centered around the ability for the Arts Commission to partner with local businesses to use their locations for events
- b. Nicole Klein mentioned she made an error in scheduling this Arts Commission meeting and that according to the Rules of Procedure, meetings are to be held the LAST Thursday of each month. All future meetings will follow this guideline.

ADJOURNMENT 7:17PM Motion by Kerry Murphy, Second by John Lane, All in Favor.