

MISSOULA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, September 15, 2020, 4 - 6 PM
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Committee Members Present: Courtney LeBlanc, Joseph Kellogg, Kathi Olson, Lisa Simon, Stoney Samsøe, Heidi West, Dani Vazquez, Hailey Kern

Committee Members Absent: Dennis Lippert

Others Present: Kirsten Paisley (staff)

Guests:

1. Call to Order 4:04 PM
2. Guest(s)
 - a. No guests today
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. August Minutes. Stoney moves to approve. Joe seconds. Unanimously passed.
4. New Members: Courtney
 - a. Hailey Kern: Haven't heard about formal approval from anyone yet.
5. Welcome to Missoula Sign: Stoney
 - a. Have been doing research. Talked with MDA and Historical Society. Hailey is interested in joining the subcommittee. Heidi also interested in joining.
 - b. Bringing in Dave Strohmeier.
 - c. Will send a doodle poll in October to see what the subcommittee can meet.
6. Indigenous Mural Project: Lisa/Danielle
 - a. Not a ton of extra movement since the last meeting.
 - b. Dani has been in touch with a few artists.
 - c. Next meeting set for October.
 - d. Starting on draft of Memorandum of Understanding.
 - i. Jim Nugent might have some standard MOUs that we could use as a template.
 - ii. Heidi will reach out for an MOU template from Parks and Rec.
 - iii. Need to clarify parties involved - Lisa will work on getting this list of parties together.
 - iv. Remove art call - artists will be invited.
 - v. Sensitively working with tribes to ensure appropriate representation. Dani can work on language for this MOU.

- vi. Lisa/Courtney/Dani/Kirsten can work on edits and work on a second draft before bringing it back to the committee to vote on.
 - e. This is a huge project with lots of work to be done. Should CoMPAC be the ones in charge of this project? It's going to take lots of hours.
 - f. Heidi: Who is responsible for maintenance? Parks and Rec? Lisa: That's a good question, and that was the impetus for the MOU. We have lots to clarify.
 - i. Kathi: We could look at the Studebaker building as reference.
 - g. It's at the point of reaching out to people that I might need more assistance reaching out to people.
 - i. Stoney: Do we have it in the budget for a project manager for something like this? There's going to have to be a lot of hours put into this project. Maybe through Montana Arts Council? Lisa: Project Manager was brought up in a meeting. It might be a good idea for us to hire a Project Manager. Courtney: There could possibly be an opportunity to work with a grad student at the University as well? Lisa: An amateur Project Manager on something this complex might not be a good idea.
7. Library Project: Courtney
 - a. Still in the beginning phases of this project.
 - b. Heidi: going to wait on reaching out to Knife River for now as I'm approaching them about something else at the moment.
 - c. Where would this go? This would be on the grassy spot close to the old library.
 8. Poverello Mural: Courtney
 - a. Full steam ahead with their stuff.
 - b. Community paint day on October 3.
 - c. Voting on "YOU ARE LOVED" without knowing color scheme (organic process)
 - i. Lisa moved to approve. Unanimously approved.
 9. Mountain Line Mural: Courtney
 - a. Art Call closed yesterday. Only had 1 submission.
 - b. We're going to extend the art call for a month.
 - c. Courtney suggested perhaps switching the mural to the wall rather than the pillars.
 - d. Kathi: Would they come up on their price? Possibly from \$5K to \$7K
 - e. Heidi: Were they limiting to paint only? Could there be sculpture? If it were a little more flexible maybe people could come up with more ideas?
 - f. Send email blast to those that submitted the last 3 years.
 - g. Include in the email that if we can't find a local artist we will expand the art call.
 10. Art on Rattlesnake Sound Wall: Courtney
 - a. Got an email from someone wanting to do some art on the sound wall. Heidi: We would have to get permission from MDOT.
 - i. Funding, maintenance, approval will all be hurdles to get over. We're in the beginning stages of this.
 11. Montgomery Mural Series: Courtney
 - a. Ryan and Jenny Montgomery are interested in a series of murals on the backs of the buildings that face Caras Park. They have talked to The Wilma, Monte Dolac, and Grizzly Hackle. They want to do a bitterroot flower and wolf design on their building. Funding is a question at the moment.
 - b. This idea is in beginning stages.
 12. Virtual Music Festival: Courtney

- a. Matt Olson wants to do Virtual Music Festival for City of Missoula. They are asking if we have anywhere interested in hosting a Virtual Music Festival. Joe: Are all the bands going to be together in one space rotating out.
 - b. How many hours/days are they needing the space? How many people?
 - c. ZACC has been hosting social distance sessions from their Show Room on Saturdays.
 - d. Joe: Might check at the Public House or the Elks Club.
 - e. Stoney: what about the space under El Cazador downtown? Nick Caras's space. Courtney will reach out.
 - f. Lisa: Maybe ask Tom to ask the Wednesday Arts Groups at the end Arts Orgs check-in once we have details about the need.
13. Cleaning Van Buren Mural: Kathi
- a. Trying to arrange a crew to clean. We will have to work with the City to block a lane of traffic while their truck is out there. Hopefully this can get done within the next couple weeks.
 - b. We'll have to get the encroachment permit.
14. Submission process, making a model: Courtney
- a. The general process varies from project to project. Artists submitted schematic drawings of their proposals. Then finalists from there were paid to create a model of their work.
 - b. We'll hold off on this until next month. We'll email out details about the submission process before next month so we can talk in detail about the process at our October meeting.
15. Announcements, News, or Upcoming Events
- a. Stoney had a great inspiration photo for cool artwork under bridges. Super colorful murals under the bridges in Amsterdam.
 - b. We should share more cool public art in our meetings. Courtney: We could add this to the end of our agenda?
 - c. Dani: Someone reached out interest in funding a mural specifically for Missing and Murdered Indigenous People. Not a lot of other info at the moment, More to report next month. Dani is working on a proposal. Courtney can assist Dani in finding location and with the process.
 - d. 4 new signal boxes for 2020 look great. Tribute piece at Playfair Park will be going up at the end of this month or early October.
 - i. Thanks Kirsten for making the interview/dedication video. Thanks Dani for talking to the Missoulian about Monica Gilles-Brings Yellow's signal box. Excellent work all!
 - ii. Lisa: This was the great PR we need. More of this!
 - e. Kirsten will be out of the office October 5-12 for her wedding.
16. Adjournment
- a. Adjourned at 5:19 PM
 - b. Next meeting set for Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 4:00 PM