



Milwaukie Arts Committee, 10722 SE Main Street, Milwaukie, OR 97222

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Members: Andrea Adams; Lisa Fossen; Denise Emerling-Baker

Staff Liaison: Mitch Nieman

artMOB Draft Minutes
June 17, 2015 | Meeting Start Time: 5:30 p.m.

Present: Andrea Adams, Maitri Dirmeyer, Lisa Fossen, Denise Emmerling-Baker, Rebecca Banyas, Lars Campbell and staff liaison Mitch Nieman

Absent: Kara Busick

Guest: Kelly Block

March 21 & 25 2015 Minutes: Fossen made a motion to approve May 2015 Minutes. Adams seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

High School Mural Update: Nieman reported muralist Chris Haberman has started the mural with a goal of completing it by start of the Vietnam Wall Event July 23.

Nieman reported that Community Development Director Alma Flores is working with Dark Horse to champion their prospective mural(s). Nieman received concepts from Dark Horse in April, but was asked by Dark Horse to not share concepts with anyone at City Hall.

Nieman informed the committee that he met with members of Waldorf School regarding their interest in creating a mural on the back of their building that fronts light rail by September 12. Adams recommended that a flowchart be created to help guide property owners and muralists through the Public Art or Original Art mural processes.

Artist Series at City Hall: Emmerling-Baker reported that the July series will feature Edwin Skaug and Deanne Simmons. Nieman requested that Baker get all press release information to the City's public affairs coordinator by June 24, so the City can advertise the event in the Pilot and on the web. Nieman offered to have the City's public affairs coordinator design Artist Series posters and fliers for future events and create a "Visit Gallery Inside" display board for outside. Baker offered to make a curators schedule for members to host future meetings.

Light Rail Events: Banyas reported that the Tillicum Bridge subcommittee will be hanging artist Bruce Forester's photographs on August 29. Adams reported that she's been convening businesses to participate in an art walk where she'll be partnering with Kelli Keehner of KMarie Boutique. he'll be meeting with Baker and Banyas on May 28 to finalize exhibit layout and plans for the September 12 Tillicum artist series and book signing event.

Sculpture Garden: Nieman distributed copies of the Sculpture Garden RFP "Celebration of Water" and asked members to give him comments by July 3. He mentioned that he would also e-mail electronic copies to members for their review. Campbell gave Nieman his comments prior to the meeting adjourning.

Website Update: Nieman mentioned that Grady Wheeler continues to work on artMOB webpage and will update the Committee as progress continues.

Social Media: Adams reported Facebook Page likes continue to increase.

Historic Milwaukie Mural: Fossen spoke with Howard Dietrich who directed her to Peter Etsel at The Mill End Store. Banyas asked Nieman to ask the City's public affairs coordinator if the City had any archived photos of the mural.

Strategic Plan: The Committee made edits to Goal #4 of the Strategic Plan.

Member Liaison & Networking Updates: Dirmeyer reported that she had talked to Councilor Karin Power at June's First Friday Artist Series Event. Banyas reported that she met with Oregon Cultural Trust and Oregon Arts Commission Director Brian Rogers. She also learned that Rogers' assistant is from Milwaukie.

Adams indicated that she had a meeting scheduled with then-Mayor Parks scheduled for June 25 and that she had scheduling conflicts with Portland Emerging Arts Leaders. Baker reported that she met with then-Councilor Gamba to discuss how artMOB could cooperate with the City's Design and Landmarks Committee (DLC) to collaborate on design elements of future projects. Banyas mentioned that she, too, spoke with then-Councilor Gamba about cooperating with DLC on future projects, but suggested only doing so when redevelopment efforts are underway. Banyas also mentioned that she had a conversation with Gamba about Council working with artMOB to develop a "fee/percentage for public art" development policy.

News/Reports: Nieman reported that he'd have business cards and postcards ready in July. Nieman confirmed the TriMet public art ride has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on August 6. Baker mentioned her art show on June 25 at Good Foot Bar in Portland. Guest Kelly Block shared his desire to create a "Milwaukie" mural on the wall of Revolve Vintage.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.