

**CITY OF DEXTER  
ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
January 4, 2017**

The regular meeting of the City of Dexter Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee was called to order at 6:30 pm at the Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St.

**ROLL CALL**

Committee Members Present: Victoria Schon, Lynn Babcock, Cristen Rinderknecht (left at 7:15pm), Martha Gregg, Rich Bellas, Phil Arbour, Gini Davis, Wa Hubbard, and Cheryl Willoughby (arr. 6:36pm)

Committee Members Absent: Angie Noble, Donna Fisher

Others Present: Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion by Babcock, Seconded by Arbour to approve the minutes from November 1, 2016.  
Unanimous Voice Vote  
Motion Adopted

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Bellas, Seconded by Arbour to approve the agenda as presented with the following changes:

- Add Dexter Art Gardens under Old Business Items
- Add Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs Grant under New Business Items
- Remove Discussion of: David Zinn Mural

Unanimous Voice Vote  
Motion Adopted

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE**

None

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION**

**A. CHAIR**

Victoria Schon reported on the Washtenaw Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) Community Tourism Action Plan (CTAP) presentation. She discussed the purpose of the CVB and the City projects that received grant funding from the organization. The Committee discussed ideas for future grant applications.

**B. STAFF REPORT**

Justin Breyer submitted his report per the packet. He provided information regarding the Community Tourism Ambassador class. Members of the Committee expressed interest in attending. Gini Davis provided additional information about the role of a tourism ambassador. Justin also reported on the installation of the Sound of the Wind sculpture.

## **C. CITY COUNCIL**

None

## **D. PROJECT UPDATES FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. CONSIDERATION OF: ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE 2017 – 2022 MASTER PLAN**

Justin Breyer presented a summary of the changes made since the November draft. The Committee discussed additional changes to the document including:

- Updating the dates in the document from 2016 to 2017.
- Minor text changes
- Creating a Committee Structure sub-heading with supporting information.
- Adding a list of assets to the Public Art Maintenance Schedule

Motion by Willoughby, Seconded by Arbour to recommend to City Council approval of the Master Plan Document with changes as discussed by the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee.

Ayes: Schon, Babcock, Rinderknecht, Gregg, Bellas, Arbour, Davis, Hubbard, and Willoughby

Nays: None

Absent: Noble and Fisher

### **B. DISCUSSION OF: DEXTER ART GARDENS**

Justin Breyer presented the draft Call for Artists provided by the Chelsea River Gallery. The Committee discussed the document and provided changes, including:

- Minor text changes.
- Identifying that the theme should be transportation with a focus on bicycles and automotive sculptures.
- Update the timeline

Phil Arbour volunteered to contact the Dexter Garden Club regarding the creation of the planting displays around the selected sculptures. The Committee discussed possible additional locations for selected art, including Peace Park.

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Willoughby to adopt the Call for Artists submitted by the Chelsea River Gallery with changes as discussed.

Ayes: Schon, Babcock, Rinderknecht, Gregg, Bellas, Arbour, Davis, Hubbard, and Willoughby

Nays: None

Absent: Noble and Fisher

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. DISCUSSION OF: DONATION GUIDELINES**

Justin Breyer reviewed the history of the Donation Policy document and its relation to the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Master Plan document. He reviewed the contents of the document and its relation to City committees. Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee members expressed support for the document.

Motion by Schon, Seconded by Arbour to make City Council aware that the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee reviewed the Donation Policy and support the adoption of it.

Ayes: Schon, Babcock, Rinderknecht, Gregg, Bellas, Arbour, Davis, Hubbard, and Willoughby

Nays: None

Absent: Noble and Fisher

### **B. DISCUSSION OF: PAINT DEXTER PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL 2017**

Victoria Schon presented the Master Timeline document. Members of the Committee volunteered to serve in various capacities. The Committee will discuss the details of assignments and corporate sponsorship requests in further detail at the February meeting.

### **C. DISCUSSION OF: ASSISTANCE WITH COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND EVENTS**

Phil Arbour presented options for monetarily supporting community groups outside of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee. The Committee discussed their desire to focus on culture and heritage as well as art.

### **D. DISCUSSION OF: MICHIGAN COUNCIL FOR ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS GRANT**

Victoria Schon presented information related to the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs Grant. The Committee discussed potential projects to which the grant could be applied. The Committee reviewed the list of Action Items in the Master Plan and directed staff to apply for the grant for the Dexter Art Gardens Temporary Sculpture Display and potential sculpture purchase. The Committee discussed reviewing the Master Plan again in May to target grants for next year.

### **CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE**

None

### **PROPOSED BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

David Zinn Mural

Ask Parks and Recreation where they would like art in the parks

Paint Dexter – February

Discussion of a desire to assist with community projects and events – May

Action Items and Grants - May

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Arbour, Seconded by Willoughby to adjourn at 8:45 pm  
Unanimous Voice Vote  
Motion Adopted

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer  
Assistant to the City Manager