Albuquerque Public Art Program
Cultural Services Department

ALBUQUERQUE ARTS BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, May 16th, 2018 4:00 p.m.
Room 7096, 7th Floor, DMD Conference Room
One Civic Plaza, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87103

Members Present
Bill Sabatini, Board Chair, Member-at-large
Dorothy Stermer, Vice Chair, Dist. 9
Jonathan Sanchez, Dist. 1
Angus Macpherson, Dist. 2
Woody Duncan, Dist. 4
Aliana Wiwi, Dist. 5
Meghan Ferguson, Dist. 6
Charlotte Schoenmann, Dist. 8
Vacant, Dist. 3
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Vacant, Member-at- Large

Staff Present
Sherri Brueggemann, Division Manager
Dan Fuller, Collection Manager
Matt Carter, Project Coord.
Francesca Searer, Assoc. Project Coord.
Jessica Montoya, Content Contractor

Guests
Dr. Shelle Sanchez, Cultural Services Director
Sean Foran, Dist. 6 Policy Analyst
Beverly Salas, Movable Parts Productions, LLC
Mark Franz, Orbital ATK, Inc.
Cristina Rogers, BND

I. Meeting Called to Order: at 4:00 pm by Chair B. Sabatini.

II. Approval of the Agenda: C. Schoenmann motioned to approve the agenda. D. Stermer seconded. Motion approved.

III. Approval of the Minutes from April 18th, 2018 Meeting: C. Schoenmann wanted to make the correction that she is not serving on the unsolicited proposals committee. Other names corrections on the list of committee member were noted. A. Macpherson moved approval of the minutes as corrected; C. Schoenmann seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Public Comment: None.

V. Reviews and Approvals:
A. **2-D Call- Selected Artists:** M. Carter gave an overview of the selection process of the 2-D call, which received 556 pieces of art for submission. After the committee reviewed all of the submissions, 33 pieces were chosen. The committee was happy to announce 19 female and 14 male artists were chosen. A. Macpherson motioned to approve the selected pieces. A. Wiwi seconded. All approved.

B. **Public Pianos- Selected Artists:** F. Searer reviewed the temporary public art committee’s artist selections for the public pianos. The committee is recommending two artists, Tom Charles and Nathan Eyring. N. Eyring had two design submissions, and the committee elected to let the artist choose which design he will create for the piano. F. Searer informed the board that the pianos will be under shaded areas and covered, if possible, under the circumstances of rain, but that these are also temporary public art pieces in the public realm. D. Stermer motioned to approve the artists. W. Duncan seconded. All approved.

C. **Apollo 17- Astronaut Memorial Donation:** Orbital ATK returned to review the astronaut memorial with the board again, while seeking approval to accept the donation into the Public Art Collection. A. Macpherson motioned to approve accepting the donation. D. Stermer seconded. All approved.

**VI. Introductions/ Reports:**

A. **Councilor Patrick Davis Gun Buyback Public Art- Request for Immediate Action:** S. Brueggemann reviewed the gun buyback initiative put forth by City Councilor Patrick Davis. The program would take surrendered guns from across the city, and then turned into a public art piece. The program would pay for a consultant, as an administrative cost, to ensure the project is handled with care due to the nature of the content. S. Brueggemann presented her concerns about the subject matter during this time. S. Foran spoke on behalf of the Councilor, letting the board know that the buyback program will move forward either way. However, he noted that council representative would like to see a beautiful project come from the buyback instead of just discarding the guns. Some board members expressed concern for the project and the request for immediate action, while others supported the project. Councilor Davis has lead another gun buyback in the past receiving about 300-500 guns. M. Ferguson has worked with similar projects in a gallery setting, and would like to see how the community would respond to the project. A. Wiwi created a motion to establish a group to research the idea more before approving the request. A. Macpherson seconded. All approved the motion. A. Wiwi, W. Duncan, B. Sabatini, M. Ferguson, and C. Schoenmann volunteered to be on the research committee.

B. **Re-Introduction of Decommission Report- Nature Underground Neon Tunnel:** S. Brueggemann re-introduced the decommission report for the neon tunnel, while presenting new information to the board. Director Shelle Sanchez shared the need for a new home for the artwork with fellow Department Directors and it appears the program has found a new home in which to reconfigure the artwork through the
Family and Community Services Department. A community center in the South Broadway area may be able to accept the piece in their recently renovated building. The artist has been consulted about the idea, and will visit the site soon to see if it is a good fit. The board does not need to take any action at this time if the relocation is approved by the artist and new user agency department.

C. **Unsolicited Proposal Committee:** A. Macpherson reported that the Committee reviewed two submissions and is recommending one move forward. A community proposal for an artistic designed street mural project is recommended. Community organizer Cristina Rogers presented to the board the community idea for painting the 2nd St. and Silver St. four way as other cities have done. The project would be slated to last 8-10 years. C. Rogers is working with We Are This City to create the project near the Silver Street Market. A. Macpherson motioned to approve the project, with a request for the design team to report back to the board on the final design. D. Stermer seconded. All approved.

**VII. Announcements/ Ongoing Project Updates:**

A. **Chair’s Announcements:** N/A

B. **Board Announcements:** J. Sanchez mentioned his artwork opening in downtown during the First Friday June 1st Art Walk. He’ll send out invitations.

C. **Project Updates:** See D.

D. **Events/ Dedications:** The staff created a handout for the board, with several dedications and events happening throughout the summer.

**VIII. New Business:** None.

**IX. Next Regular Meeting:** June 20th, 2018

**X. Adjourn:** Chair, B. Sabatini adjourned the meeting at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Sherri Brueggemann, Public Art Urban Enhancement Division Manager

Approved: [Signature]

Bill Sabatini, Chair

[Date] 6/20/18