



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes Public Art Advisory Board

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

3:30 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the Public Art Advisory Board was held this date in Council Chambers at City Hall. Chair Jean Trammell called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present 6 - Chair Jean Trammell, Fran Valencic, Mary Moscatelli, Samantha Schanely, Beth Flerlage and Maryjo Floryjanski

Also Present

Liaison Council Member Richard Cautero, Historical Resources Manager Harry Klinkhamer, Assistant City Attorney David Jackson, and Recording Secretary Caroline Moriarty.

III. Approval of Minutes

[19-4284](#)

Minutes of the September 11, 2019 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Valencic, seconded by Ms. Flerlage, that the Minutes of the September 11, 2019 Regular Meeting be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

IV. New Business

[19-4129](#)

Zach Frignoca, Primitive Past Inc., and Wayne Dyer, Bronzart Foundry Inc.: Proposal for a Megalodon Tooth Bronze Sculpture for the City of Venice

Zach Frignoca, Primitive Past Inc., spoke on a bronze megalodon tooth sculpture proposal for Venice.

Mr. Frignoca responded to board questions on potential sculpture locations and funding.

Ms. Trammell spoke on conceptual approval, funding, location, and process for approval of the sculpture.

Ms. Trammell suggested Mr. Frignoca speak with Lynn Moseley of Venice Area Beautification, Inc. (VABI) to discuss sites available in the city.

A motion was made by Ms. Moscatelli, seconded by Ms. Flerlage, to accept the proposed megalodon tooth bronze sculpture concept and for Mr. Frignoca to come back with further information to present on location and funding. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[19-4285](#)

Mary Moscatelli, Venice Art Center: Proposal for "Red Butterfly" and "Torso" Sculptures by Lugefelo, Luis Fernandez; 2020 Public Arts "Venice Fanta-Sea"

Mary Moscatelli, Executive Director of Venice Art Center, Lynn Moseley, Venice Area Beautification, Inc. (VABI), and Paul McCullough, Venice Art Center, spoke on the Red Butterfly sculpture, location, five year temporary installation, and maintenance.

A motion was made by Ms. Valencic, seconded by Ms. Flerlage, to approve the Red Butterfly sculpture and its location in front of the Venice Art Center. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Moscatelli spoke on the Torso sculpture, location, five year temporary installation, and maintenance.

Ms. Valencic stated that having the sculpture at the front of the art center will showcase the facility.

Board discussion ensued on location of the sculpture.

A motion was made by Ms. Valencic, seconded by Ms. Floryjanski, to approve the Torso sculpture and its location in front of the Venice Art Center. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. McCullough spoke on a proposal for public art displays to include a mermaid and a seahorse. Mr. McCullough expressed his desire to have 50 displays out by the spring of 2020 for a period of two years.

Mr. McCullough provided background information on seahorses and mermaids.

Discussion continued on location and structure of the displays.

A motion was made by Ms. Valencic, seconded by Ms. Flerlage, to approve the Fanta-Sea Seahorses display. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Flerlage, seconded by Ms. Schanely, to approve the Fanta-Sea Mermaids display. The motion carried 4-1 by voice vote with Ms. Flerlage opposed.

A motion was made by Ms. Flerlage, seconded by Ms. Schanely, to recommend approval of the sculptures to City Council. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[19-4283](#)

City Attorney Kelly Fernandez and City Clerk Lori Stelzer: Refresher on Public Records and Sunshine Laws as Required by the Settlement Agreement in the Citizens for Sunshine and Anthony Lorenzo Litigation

David Jackson, Assistant City Attorney, advised that no significant changes were made to the sunshine law or public records act in the legislature this past year.

Mr. Jackson spoke on articles regarding public records and sunshine law cases.

Discussion continued on records of private phone calls on personal devices.

Mr. Cautero spoke on city council members being subpoenaed for their city cell phones.

Mr. Jackson continued on public records.

Discussion continued on personal e-mail that is sent or received relating to official city business must be sent to their city accounts for record keeping.

Ms. Valencic spoke on her work relationship with Ms. Moscatelli and the possibility of sunshine law violations.

Mr. Jackson reiterated the board be vigilant and not discuss items that are foreseeable to come before the board.

V. Unfinished Business

VI. Updates

[17-2887](#)

John Nolen Logos

Mr. Klinkhamer spoke on Venice High School Art Honor Society participating in the competition for designing the John Nolen logo.

Ms. Schanely stated she is the president of the Venice High School Art Honor Society and there are 15 artists working on the design.

[19-3989](#)

Public Art Advisory Board Subcommittee: Code of Ordinances

Mr. Klinkhamer stated the Public Art Ordinance Subcommittee meets monthly and recently put together a proposed Public Art Ordinance Policy.

VII. Future Agenda Items

Board members did not have any recommendations for future agendas.

VIII. Board Discussion

Mr. Klinkhamer announced the Florida Association of Public Art Professionals annual conference is scheduled for May 6-8, 2020 in Sarasota.

Mr. Caution stated the city is in the process of constructing a new fire station and addition to city hall and mentioned potential opportunities for artwork around the new city hall and fire station.

Discussion ensued on available state funding for artists and cities.

Mr. Klinkhamer stated he will ask the city's grant writer to look into possible art grants for the city.

IX. Audience Participation

There was none.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Chair

Recording Secretary
