



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
CITY OF ALBANY
ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION
City Hall, Calapooia Room
Tuesday, July 14, 2015
3:30 pm

AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF May 12, 2015 MINUTES
3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC
4. ACTION ITEMS
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - a. Retreat Debrief
6. EXHIBITS– approve submissions (if any)
None
7. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION
8. NEXT MEETING DATE
The next regularly scheduled meeting is August 11, 2015

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**CITY OF ALBANY
ARTS COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, Albany City
Hall Tuesday, May 12, 2015
3:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Commission members present: Melissa Babcock Saylor (Chair), Linda Herd, Rinee Merritt, Scott Lawley, Chuck Leland, Jane Donovan, Lynn Whitacre

Commission members absent: None

Staff present: Debbie Little, Administrative Services Coordinator

Guest present: Jane Evans, North Albany Middle School Principal

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Melissa Babcock Saylor moved to approve the April 14, 2015 minutes as presented. Chuck Leland seconded the motion, and it **passed** 7-0.

3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Greater Albany Public Schools is exploring the idea of a performing arts center in Albany. A committee has been formed and a feasibility study has been conducted, which Jane Evans distributed to the Commission. Evans briefly explained the process and findings, noting that funding for the development and construction of a performing arts center would need to be attached to a bond measure for the school district. Brief discussion followed.

4. ACTION ITEMS

None

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Midsummer Arts Festival

Parks & Recreation staff met with Michael Winder regarding the upcoming event. The notes from the meeting were distributed and outline ideas for promotion, funding opportunities, Parks & Recreation's role, and future planning. Brief discussion followed.

b. Doorways Poster Show/Contest

The Commission continues to explore the possibility of a show or contest of some kind that consists of painting, drawing, or photographing doorways in Albany which could work as a fundraiser for the Commission. Rinee has contact information for a representative at Jeld-Wen for possible sponsorship. Brief discussion followed.

c. Retreat

The retreat will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2015, 3:30 – 7:00 p.m. Location- John Boock's loft on 1st Avenue.

Current agenda items:

1% for Art Ordinance
Sculpture program development
Teen Art Show
Revisit strategic plan

ACTION ITEMS:

- Debbie will send out notes from previous retreat.

d. Northwest Art & Air Festival

The Commission discussed the possibility of participating in the festival at the airport during the Young Eagles flights. After a brief discussion, it was concluded that the Commissioners are not available to participate.

6. EXHIBITS

None

7. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION

Going to Pots will be held October 15 -17, 2015. Lynn will check on the availability of Two Rivers Market.

Rinee made a general inquiry about the maximum number of commissioners. Currently the commission is full, but applications are accepted on an on-going basis through the City Manager's Office.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is July 14, 2015 in the Calapooia Room in City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Little, Administrative Services Coordinator, Albany Parks & Recreation

NOTES from Arts Commission Retreat June 9, 2015

I. 1% for the Arts

A. Concern: seems to require placement of art at the constructed facility

1. Desire: Consider alternative placement locations, per recommendation of the Arts Commission

B. Concern: Limited to buildings over a certain value and placement inside the building

1. Desire: Apply the requirements to an expanded list of project types, per recommendation of the Arts Commission

a) Capital improvement projects

(1) Street construction (not land acquisition): new streets, expanded streets, traffic circles, street medians

(2) Parks: acquisitions, development (new and renovations)

(3) Paved recreation/non-vehicular paths

(4) Water treatment/Talking Water Garden?

b) Should more than 1 % be assessed?

(1) Note: project costs are subject to inflation each year, keeping pace with indexed construction costs

c) Let the pending Arts master plan guide decisions on placement

2. Desire: Apply 1% requirement to capital projects of value less than \$500,000 (current) and establish a new fund/account to receive and hold policy-driven revenues in reserve

a) Examples of eligible expenses: fixed assets, stages, etc.

b) Not to be used for transitory purchases, e.g. performances

II. Sculpture Program

A. Reviewed and discussed map of existing sculpture locations

B. Discussed objectives of the program

- 1. Publicly supported, highly interactive**
- 2. Tell the “Albany Story”**
- 3. Beautification of Albany**
- 4. Establish Albany as “place”**
 - a) Reflect “pride of place”*
 - b) Unique works*
 - c) Livable city*
 - d) Welcoming, diverse, friendly*
- 5. Opportunities to explore**
 - a) 2-D outdoor art on walls, sidewalks, windows*

C. How to proceed

- 1. Determine priority locations**
 - a) Priority A: ODOT landscape*
 - b) Priority B: Carousel “plaza”*
- 2. Develop action plans to guide projects**
- 3. Develop funding sources and strategies**

III. Teen art program discussion

A. Yes or No?

B. Objective: trying to grow interest from the ground up

- 1. Next step: Action plan, re-visioning, visit with stakeholders**
- 2. Include this program in the Strategic Plan, if desired**

IV. Strategic Plan Review

- A. Revisit Vision, Mission, Goals statements**
 - 1. Develop plans and actions/tactics**
- B. Add previously identified items from retreat discussions**
- C. Going To Pots discussion**
 - 1. Need to better market/advertise/promote**
 - 2. What is the GTP purpose/objectives?**
 - a) Promotion? Fundraiser?*
 - 3. Develop an action plan for the even**