



PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MEETING

Parks and Recreation Conference Room, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 4:30 PM

MINUTES

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

Lizzie Taylor Raeya Wardle
 Jessica Peters
 Bobby Gaytan, Chair

APPROVAL OF MINUTES [ACTION ITEM]

1. Minutes from February 15, 2022 Public Art Committee Meeting
Lizzie Taylor motioned to approve the minutes, Jessica Peters seconded the motion, all ayes

DISCUSSION ITEMS [ACTION ITEMS]

2. **Updates: Meridian Mural Series:** Key Detail at unBound Library, Sector Seventeen locations
*Key Detail: Bobby and Cassandra met with Key Detail and Meridian Library District representatives about the unBound library on 3/15/2022 – Key Detail will be submitting three sketches for the next step (they can use the two sketches that aren't going to be used). This part of the process is primarily between the library and Key Detail; City of Meridian doesn't have a role at this point, aside from facilitation.
Artists' costs from NYC will be hefty, so we may see if a hotel will sponsor the mural/their travel by providing a free room. (Note, we have no obligation to cover their travel costs.)*

Sector Seventeen: Garrett joined the meeting to share that there is strong WARD (West Ada Recreation District) support for a mural on the east side of the pool (facing the ballfields), preferably with a history/pool/water theme. We need to review the square footage. Redesign fee is \$500 with the bee design and \$1,000 for a complete redesign. Legal will need to draw up an MOU between the City and

WARD, and MAC will approve moving forward with the WARD and pool for the location.

Jessica Peters motioned to recommend moving forward with the Meridian pool and WARD for the Sector Seventeen mural location; Lizzie Taylor seconded the motion; all ayes.

3. **Review, Make Edits and Recommendations: Five Mile Creek Pathway Trailhub RFQ + RFP:** New working name for site, progress on RFQ + RFP, general timeline and process overview
Committee members will review and send edits/comments to Jessica by Sunday 3/20, who will combine comments into one document, conduct a full edit, and submit to Cassandra by 3/31. The call should be ready by the MAC meeting for final approval.
4. **Discuss and Make Recommendations for Public Art Plan:** Review VIA Partnership's sample scope of work for a full Public Art Plan, Discuss possible next steps, Make recommendations
Cassandra presented a scope of work proposal from VIA Partnership for a full Public Art Plan. We still need proposals from two other companies (Forecast? Get input from City of McCall?). We can then propose a budget amendment to City Council to contract someone to complete the public art plan. This is within city's strategic comprehensive plan to complete the public art plan soon.
Lizzie Taylor made a motion to recommend working with an outside professional arts entity to complete the MAC Public Art Plan, and to conduct research for an upcoming city budget amendment. Raeya Wardle seconded the motion, all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS [ACTION ITEM]

5. **Discuss and Make Recommendations: Tully Skate Park Mural Project Proposal**
Cassandra presented the history and condition of the current mural at Tully Skate Park, which has been graffitied and cleaned by Parks, unfortunately much of the mural is missing. Cassandra presented a proposal for a new mural project at Tully Skate Park. The new mural proposal would be a partnership between a student artist and a professional artist mentor. PAC discussed the project. Bobby raised the need for regular upkeep/maintenance of the mural, which may deter graffiti/tagging/defacement. Raya Wardle expressed positivity about the student and youth involvement, which is one of Meridian and the Arts Commission's strengths. Note: we don't need to use Bonfire for the selection process due to the budget amount \$1,500 for student artist (design and participation in installation) and \$2,000 for professional artist services, which includes \$1,500 for mentorship and installation, and \$500 budget for materials, mentorship, and installation. Bobby identified and recommended a local mural artist, Miguel Almeida. Almeida is a professional level muralist, and has prior public art experience and credentials including past experience with public art and murals. Almeida is also a person

involved with skater culture. Jessica and Cassandra both expressed having considered the same artist, before Bobby before recommended him to the subcommittee. Bobby will reach out to see if he is interested in participating, and if so, the Arts and Culture Coordinator and legal will work with him to draft a professional services agreement. We will draft a call to artists (RFP) to select the student design. MAC will approve the call. Jessica Peters motioned to move forward with the project with a \$3,500 budget from MAPS, Lizzie Taylor seconded the motion, all ayes.

NEXT MEETING - APRIL 19, 2022

ADJOURNMENT Raeya Wardle moved that we adjourn, Lizzie Taylor seconded, all ayes.