



CITY OF SWEET HOME AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ARTS & CULTURE MINUTES

August 20, 2024, 4:00 PM
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street
Sweet Home, OR 97386

Mission Statement

The City of Sweet Home will work to build an economically strong community with an efficient and effective local government that will provide infrastructure and essential services to the citizens we serve. As efficient stewards of the valuable assets available, we will be responsive to the community while planning and preparing for the future.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Rose Peda, Chair
Diane Gerson
Lagea Mull

STAFF

Cecily Hope Pretty, Assistant City Manager Pro Tem
Adam Leisinger, Special Projects Manager

CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Susan Coleman
Councilor Lisa Gourley

Approval of Minutes

2024-04-16 Ad Hoc Committee on Arts & Culture Meeting Minutes

Councilor Gourley moved to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 Ad Hoc Committee on Arts & Culture. Committee Member Gerson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Old Business

Murals Update

Assistant City Manager Pro Tem Pretty provided an update on grants received to support mural painting, potential selected locations, and the current status of selected mural artists.

Gourley asked of the eligibility of Commercial Exterior Improvement Program (CEIP) grants for murals. Assistant City Manager Pro Tem Pretty stated that there were limited funds available and structural improvements would likely be prioritized over artistic grants.

Committee Member Mull entered at this time.

Committee Member Gerson asked of the installation of a mural that had not been reviewed by the committee and if there was a process to have them approved. Assistant City Manager Pro Tem Pretty replied that the City of Sweet Home did not have exterior design standards that prohibited business from installing murals of their choice.

Discussion was held regarding gathering volunteers to provide maintenance for existing murals.

No action was required for this item.

Bronze Statues

Chair Peda stated that the Community Foundation may be interested in assisting with a bronze statue later in the fiscal year. Discussion ensued regarding incorporation of a water feature.

No action was required for this item.

High School Metal Artwork

Chair Peda asked if there were still plans to ask the high school to do metal salmon cutouts for the medians on Main Street. Special Projects Manager Leisinger stated that the School District was supposed to contact him once the school year began.

No action was required for this item.

Historic Buildings

Discussion was held regarding what the committee considered historic. There was consensus to focus on buildings of 75 years and older.

Discussion was held regarding the installation of maps marking historic places in Sweet Home.

No action was required for this item.

New Business

Crosswalks

Discussion was held on the potential installation of artistic crosswalks. Staff will follow up with cost and feasibility info.

No action was required for this item.

East Linn Museum

Mayor Coleman stated that the East Linn Museum was in need of additional volunteers to maintain operations. She asked the committee to reach out to the community to solicit volunteers.

Good of the Order

It was confirmed that the next meeting would be held on November 19, 2024.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 PM.

Chair

ATTEST:

City Manager Pro Tem – Ex Officio City Recorder