The Eleventh Meeting Minutes of the Public Art Committee

Teams meeting

4 pm

March 23, 2021

In Attendance:

- Councillor Steve Wookey
- Laura Woermke, Chair
- John Allen
- Timothy Hedden
- April Gazda, Secretary

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 18th meeting to be confirmed at the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Appendices - deferred to a future meeting

Fairview roundabouts Art

Councillor Wookey – met with Justin Lawrence yesterday to discuss the projects. There was initially no intention to have art at these 2 round abouts. The road project came in at a lower cost and it was then decided that the art sculptures would enhance the roundabouts at no addition cost to the proposed project. A decision had to be made quickly for this opportunity. Due to the time constraints this is how the decision for the art and artist came to be as the same artist had done work at another round about and it would provide a cohesive aesthetic in the City.

Tim - would staff know the correct avenues to find the appropriate artists?

Councillor Wookey – no, but that is something we the Committee can work on, as an educational component

Laura – would like to see more Committee involvement in the artist selection process

Motion by T. Hedden – Councillor Wookey:

THAT: The Public Art Committee recommend the Chair prepare a report to Council regarding the Fairview roundabout art sculptures.

Carried.

The Committee discussed the difference between art on City and private property and its impact and if various groups such as EDC answer to a board or Council.

Laura - I do not want to see this Committee rubber stamped or disbanded

Councillor Wookey – hoping to make some changes to the policy and terms or reference so that does not happen. Looking for broader involvement within the community in regards to City projects as well as liaising on private works of art and commissions.

NEW BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING

At the call of the Chair

Confirmed by Chair___

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councillor Wookey – T. Hedden: THAT: The meeting be adjourned at 4:45 pm. Carried.