

MINUTES
ARTS AND HUMANITIES ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
March 5, 2015 - 11:45 A.M.

Present were the following members of the Arts and Humanities Advisory Board: Mr. Jay Dean Nelson, Ms. Joleen Hill, Ms. Shelly Richardson, Mr. Steve Lee, Ms. Penny Sneften, and Mr. Frank Tracz.

Absent were Ms. Jan Danenberg, Mr. Don Hedrick and Ms. Todd Holmberg.

Employees present at this meeting were Mr. Edward Eastes, Director of Parks and Recreation; Ms. Kathy Swan, Recreation Supervisor; Mr. Wyatt Thompson, Park Planner; and Ms. Chrissy Kramer, Administrative Assistant.

Visitors were Ms. Nichole Tazwell, Ms. Livie Olsen, Mr. Chris Boxberger and Ms. Danielle Schapaugh – PR Coordinator, Arts & Humanities Association of Manhattan.

MINUTES

Mr. Nelson called the meeting to order. It was moved by Ms. Hill, seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the minutes of the February meeting. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

MANHATTAN LIBRARY UPDATE

Mr. Nelson advised that he spoke with Ms. Linda Knupp, from the Manhattan Public Library, about the art project and will be able to provide a better update in April. It appears that additional funding will be needed; however, there is a possibility of another potential donor.

CIP REQUEST

Mr. Eastes stated that the CIP request deadline is March 6, 2015. Mr. Nelson read the recommended proposal to the advisory board which included that 1% of any funds received will be set aside for the Arts & Humanities Advisory Board and this will be automatically renewed each year. Lengthy discussions began about the CIP process. Also discussed were funding options that would be made available to the board. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the Capital Improvements Project prepared by Mr. Eastes and to forward to the City Commission for approval. Moved by Ms. Hill and seconded by Mr. Lee. On unanimous vote, motion carried.

CITY MASTER PLAN

Mr. Thompson updated the advisory board on what has occurred thus far with the City Master Plan. On March 14, there will be a community meeting at the Pavilion in City Park to try to get more people to participate in the plan. Discussions began on how to make improvements to the City Park, signage and artwork. Mr. Thompson stated that as the process continues, several scenarios will be given and narrowed to one selection. Regarding signage, Mr. Thompson suggested that the board members go by Long's Park to view the signage at that location.

SPONSORSHIP DISCUSSION

Mr. Eastes gave the committee members a copy of the sponsorship policy and discussed the resolution process to the Board. Mr. Eastes requested that the members review the information for discussions at a later date.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Nelson stated that the Advisory Board was not granted the Philanthropies Art Challenge, which had been previously submitted. This is an annual event and the Board can resubmit an application at a later date. It was also discussed that the Arts & Humanities Advisory Board establishes a yearly/bi-annual sculpture competition that can be set in a public area.

Mr. Nelson mentioned that the tenure of two board members were up, Mr. Tracz and Ms. Senften. He thanked them for their dedication to the Arts & Humanities Board.

Mr. Lee gave a brief update as to the photographs at the Airport. The money has been received and the photographs should be ready for the opening on Friday, March 6, 2015. There will still be space available for additional photographs. The art sub-committee would like to move forward with more artwork when the Airport Project, Phase II begins. Mr. Nelson requested that Mr. Lee continue to monitor the project and to keep the advisory board up to date.

The meeting was adjourned.