

**Public Meeting of the  
Art in Public Places Advisory Board  
Tuesday, January 19, 2021, 5:15 p.m.  
City of Bonita Springs  
Liles Hotel Conference Room  
27300 Old 41 Rd.  
Bonita Springs, Florida 34135**

**MINUTES**

I. ROLL CALL

**Present:**

Susan Bridges  
Melissa Layner  
Janet Flanders  
Nigel Fullick

**Staff:**

Nicole Perino, Parks and Recreation Director  
Amy Quaremba, Councilwoman

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

III. DISCUSSION OF ALEX NUNEZ'S PROPOSAL TO RESTORE AND ADD UV PROTECTANT TO THE BENSON'S GROCERY MURAL

Mr. Fullick asked for an update on the cost to restore the mural on Benson's Grocery. Ms. Perino reported the artist wants \$3500 to touch it up and put a coat on the mural. Ms. Perino has reached out to Mr. Nunez for more information regarding the guarantee but has not heard back. It has been eight years since the mural was first done.

The Board decided to table the discussion until they hear back from Mr. Nunez regarding the guarantee and his recommendation for the UV coating and how often it should be done.

IV. BOARD AND STAFF ITEMS:

Mr. Fullick asked the Board to take a look at the mural that's on the side of the south wall of the realtors building across from the Liles Hotel. Ms. Perino advised they are waiting to hear what is going on with the roof top project, which may block the mural. Mr. Fullick recommended discussing when they know more.

A. DISCUSSION OF ART IN PUBLIC PLACES BOARD PROPOSED APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Perino reported that there are two new Board members on the City Council Meeting agenda to be approved. Mr. Fullick reported one is the former City Manager, Gary Price and the other is Shelley Anderson who has lived in Bonita for 30 years.

Mr. Fullick asked if anyone else has other candidates. Ms. Bridges has two candidates, but they would prefer to wait until the pandemic subsides before they feel comfortable joining. Ms. Bridges asked them to forward a mini bio so she could share with the Board.

#### B. DISCUSSION OF THE REINSTATEMENT OF RENT FOR THE ARTIST COTTAGES AT RIVERSIDE PARK

Ms. Perino reported that the reinstatement of rent for the artist cottages is on the January 20th City Council Meeting agenda. Their rent has been suspended since March 2020, so it is a discussion item for reinstatement. Ms. Perino has spoken to all the tenants and they understand it's time.

#### C. UPDATE ON THE OTOCAST APP

Ms. Bridges reported that her contact at Otocast reported they are moving forward. The Otocast team were closed-down due to the Corona virus and they all had to quarantine. They were all working from home so now they are catching up. Otocast is going to send the spreadsheet to Ms. Bridges and Ms. Perino. They will need two photographs of each sculpture and mural. Ms. Perino will reach out to Ms. Taylor in the Communications department regarding the photos for City artwork and suggested they may want to look at updating the existing photos. Ms. Perino said they will need photos of all the new sculptures. Ms. Bridges asked Ms. Perino to send her a list of the sculptures that need photos.

#### D. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Perino reported that Ms. Hauserman was appointed on April 15, 2009. Mr. Fullick would like to honor Ms. Hauserman for her service at a Council meeting. The Board agreed unanimously. Councilwoman Quaremba asked if anyone had any comments/memories they would like to share to please email her. Ms. Perino will get some Council meeting dates to the Board.

Ms. Quaremba reported on the item on the January 20th City Council meeting agenda about discussion of the mural in City Council Chambers. Ms. Quaremba recommends that any discussion regarding art should be presented to the Art in Public Places Board for input. Mr. Fullick reported that the mural has historic significance and the artist is well known. It was the first or second piece commissioned by the City. Ms. Perino said Councilwoman Carr feels it doesn't meet the diversity and unity of the City. Mr. Fullick stated the Art in Public Places Board welcomes Councilwoman Carr to attend a Board meeting to discuss. Ms. Bridges reported that the artists' work is created from historic photographs that the City of Bonita Springs provided to the artist. Ms. Bridges confirmed that the picture has historic value and is a historic treasure. Councilwoman Quaremba will bring the Board's concerns to Council. Mr. Fullick voiced his concern about

removing something that is historically accurate and was created for that specific location. The artist is nationally famous. Ms. Bridges will pull some information regarding the artist and send to Councilwoman Quaremba.

V. DISCUSSION OF NEXT MEETING DATE – FEBRUARY 9, 2021

Next meeting confirmed for February 9, 2021.

The Board discussed, in addition to a proclamation for Ms. Hauserman, presenting a memento for her years of service on the Board. The Board discussed ideas for appropriate mementos

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 10, 2020 MEETING

Approval of the minutes has been tabled until next meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

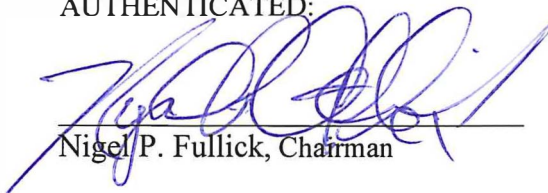
Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Chiaramonte 03/01/2021  
Nadine Chiaramonte, Office Assistant

APPROVED:

Date: May 18, 2021

AUTHENTICATED:

  
Nigel P. Fullick, Chairman

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