

**Public Meeting of the
Art in Public Places Advisory Board
Special Meeting
Monday, July 29, 2019, 4:45 p.m.
City of Bonita Springs
9101 Bonita Beach Road, Room 118
Bonita Springs, Florida 34135**

I. ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 4:49 p.m.

Present

Jackie Hauserman
Nigel Fullick
Janet Flanders
Joanie Licitra
Susan Bridges

Staff

Arleen Hunter
Carly Sanseverino

Absent

Jennifer Perry
Melissa Layner

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present

III. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED ARTWORK FOR THE FRONT (BONITA BEACH ROAD)
AND THE ENTRANCE TO CITY HALL

Mr. Fullick reported that he and Ms. Hunter had a very productive conference call with Mr. Swartz. Mr. Fullick reviewed the Board's top selections.

Moons of Galaxy – 4 votes
Connections – 4 votes
Lotus – 3 votes
Festival – 3 votes

As the Board directed, Mr. Fullick asked the artist if he could offer the reduced rate on the other pieces. Mr. Swartz replied he was not willing, stating that some of the pieces were newer and/or the actual cost of construction and materials was higher. Mr. Fullick reported that the sculptures Mr. Swartz presented to the Board are the pieces he can deliver on the Board's timetable by the end of September. Mr. Fullick stated the artist was willing to come down on the pieces a little more if we were able to come down from 15 feet to 14 feet.

Ms. Hunter reported, if we agreed to go with 14 feet, he could offer *Moons of the Galaxy* or *Connections* at \$24,000.

Mr. Fullick reported that the sculpture, *Lotus*, was at \$35,000, but the artist would only come down to \$30,000 as is. The artist would come down to \$24,000 on *Festival* as is.

Mr. Fullick stated the two that he was most excited about were *Connections* and *Moons of the Galaxy*. Mr. Swartz had informed him that he has a crew that installs due to the complexity of the artwork. The crew would cost about \$700. Ms. Hunter stated they would have to figure in the cost of the concrete pad and would have to have the piece in their possession by September 30, 2019. Mr. Swartz thought he could have it installed by September 30.

Ms. Hunter stated once they know which sculpture they would like to purchase, they would need to go to the building department regarding the placement. The Board discussed options for placement in front of City Hall. Ms. Bridges would like pictures of the front of City Hall so that she could provide computer-generated images for discussion.

Mr. Fullick asked if the Board wanted to wait until the next fiscal year for a taller piece, or do they want to vote on one of the pieces at 14 feet. The Board discussed installing a concrete pad, which can provide more height and protect it from being damaged by landscaping.

Ms. Flanders made a motion to go with the 14 foot Moons of the Galaxy sculpture to be paid out of this year's budget, Ms. Bridges seconded, all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Hunter discussed the process of presenting to Council and sending the agreement to Mr. Swartz for review and asked Ms. Sanseverino to pull an old agreement that the former City Attorney had prepared.

Ms. Bridges suggested toning the concrete to match the sculptures' base. Ms. Bridges does not think it is a costly process.

Ms. Hunter asked Ms. Sanseverino to ask the Communications Director to get pictures of the front of the building and forward to Ms. Bridges.

Ms. Flanders asked how they could determine the best spot for the sculpture as a Board. Ms. Hunter advised the Board could visit the site, individually, and come to the next meeting prepared to discuss. The other alternative would be to schedule a site visit as a Board. A public notice would be posted for the site visit. There would be no discussion during the site visit between the Board members and a member of staff must be present. The Board would be able to discuss at a regularly scheduled meeting.

IV. ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS

No additional items discussed.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Nadine Chiaramonte, Office Assistant

APPROVED:

Date: 9/10/2019

AUTHENTICATED:


Nigel P. Fullick, Chairman

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