



TUKWILA ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

July 22, 2020 - 6:00pm

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call & Introduction of Guests:** Chair Sheila Coppola called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.
Attendance:
Commission Members Present: Pinky Estell, Sheila Coppola, Trisha Gilmore, Jaleh Sadravi, Helen Enguerra, Shawn Belyea, Cynthia Chesak and Dylan Mahler
Staff: Tracy Gallaway
Guests: Sarah Kavage, Artist in Residence
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Tracy Gallaway asked if the agenda could be amended to include a funding request from Global 2 Local's Food Innovation Network. Cynthia Chesak to accept the amended agenda. Trisha Gilmore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Jaleh Sadravi moved to accept the minutes for 2.26.20 meeting. Helen Enguerra seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Summer Arts Engagement Ideas
 - i. Mobile Recreation – staff are utilizing \$1,000 from the 4Culture Sustained Support grant to purchase art supplies for activity kits being distributed by the Park n' Play program. This program runs through August 27, 2020.
 - ii. Park "pop up" art –
 1. Commissioner Pinky Estell shared additional information regarding a new program that the SeaTac Arts Commission is doing this summer inviting the public to create art in their front yards. Discussion centered around how to organize and implement this program in an efficient manner, ideas for prizes included gift certificate options for local restaurants. It was also suggested that yard signs could be printed to promote contest winners.
 2. Tracy Gallaway mentioned that she would be reaching out to Ignition NW to see if they have any pieces that would be available to be placed in local parks.
 - b. PSP – Facility Openings (Station 51 – August; Justice Center – September) – Tracy Gallaway shared that two of the Public Safety Plan facilities would be opening in September. Due to the current situation, plans for a public event have been changed. Instead the City will be producing a video tour of the facility to share with the community.

5. New Business:

- a. **Riverton Creek Restoration Project** - Artist in Residence Sarah Kavage gave a brief overview regarding her involvement in the Riverton Creek Restoration Project. She has been working with staff from Public Works to develop art in the project as part of the 1% for arts program.
- b. **Joint Parks Commission & Arts Commission Meeting, August 12, 2020** – Riverton Creek Restoration Project presented by Artist in Residence Sarah Kavage.
- c. **Funding Request** – Tracy Gallaway shared information regarding the Food Innovation Network’s funding request. They are asking for \$750 to support Faces of the Community, a community portrait exhibit by resident artists Hoa Hong. Faces of the Community will be exhibited at Spice Bridge, a global food hall at Tukwila Village opening Fall 2020. Cynthia Chesak made a motion to support the art project for the full amount requested (\$750). Sheila Coppola seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Commission/Staff Report Outs:

- **Tracy Gallaway, Staff Liaison:** No additional report.
- **Sheila Coppola:** Sheila Coppola shared that one of her art pieces was recently purchased by the City of Seattle Office of Arts and Culture for their rotating art collection. The other Arts Commissioners congratulated her on being selected.
- **Dylan Mahler:** Dylan Mahler reported that the location of the art for the project at Foster High School will be the central courtyard and the art will be a decorative seating element. The artist selected for the project is Etsuko Ichikawa. Examples of her art work can be found at www.etsukoishikawa.com.

7. **Other** – Utility Box Art Program – Tracy Gallaway is working with artist Beth Gahan on developing the Utility Box Art Program in Tukwila. They have gathered information on programs in other communities and are developing a policy document and best practices document. Tracy asked the commission their opinion regarding how to target this artist call. The commission members agreed that the focus should be on artists living and working in South King County. Tracy noted that the draft will be available at the August/September meeting. Staff propose to pilot the program according to the draft policies, then use what is learned during the pilot program to finalize policies and procedures. Sheila Coppola and Trisha Gilmore volunteered to review draft policies and give input prior to them being presented to the Arts Commission at a future meeting.

8. **Agenda for Next/Future Meetings:** Community Engagement; Utility Box Art Program.

9. **Adjournment:** Cynthia Chesak motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm Trisha Gilmore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: August 12, 2020 – joint meeting/presentation with the Parks Commissions via Microsoft Teams. The regularly scheduled (4th Wednesday of the month) Arts Commission meeting will be held on August 26, 2020.