

MINUTES - SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

5:00 P.M.

Southfield Municipal Campus

Conference Room A

26000 Evergreen Road

APPROVED 10/15/24

A. Roll Call:

Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky (arrived 5:15); Williams; Wood)

Excused: Goldstein, Zeigler

Absent: Jones, Pizana

Also present: Planner Bollin, City Planner Croad, Mayor Siver. Mandy Moran, Tony Cappussi

B. Approval of Agenda

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the agenda for September

Motion by Williams, supported by Wood to approve the meeting agenda for September 17, 2024. Approved 6-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Williams; Wood)

C. Flagg introduced the new commissioner, Stephanie Hill Ross to the rest of the commission and asked her to tell the room a little about herself.

D. Public comment (limited to three minutes/person): No Public Present.

E. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 18, 2024.

Motion by Ligan, supported by Hill-Ross, to approve the meeting minutes for June 18, 2024. Approved 6-0. (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Williams; Wood)

Milinsky arrived 5:15

F. Financial Report: FY 23/24 Budget Review (through 6/30/24)

Croad provided a summary of the latest financial support and asked if there were any questions.

Seeing none, Flagg asked for a motion to approve the financial report through June 30, 2024.

Motion by Wood, supported by Crum to approve the financial report through June 30, 2024. Approved 7-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

Financial Report: FY 24/25 Budget Review (through 8/31/24)

Croad provided a summary of the latest financial support and asked if there were any questions.

Seeing none, Flagg asked for a motion to approve the financial report through August 31, 2024.

Motion by Williams, supported by Milinsky, to approve the financial report through August 31, 2024. Approved 7-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

G. Presentations/Project Status Updates/Approvals:

- Detroit Design Center updates:
 - Brothers Installation
 - The Key Installation

Croad gave an update on the recently installed sculptures at the corner of 9 Mile and Beech Road, and at the corner of 10 Mile and Northwestern Highway that were purchased from the Detroit Design Center.

Mandy Moran – 9 Mile Structural Garden Preliminary Presentation

Mandy Moran gave a short presentation on some preliminary design concepts for a structural garden that is planned to be installed in late 2025 near the *Brothers* sculpture at 9 Mile and Beech Road.

Proposed Mural – 28681 Northwestern Highway: Approval

Tony Cappussi of CMA Architects & Design provided a short presentation of a wall mural that is planned to be installed at a new gas station that is currently under construction along Northwestern Highway. He explained that the original idea of a pavement surface mural would prove to be too costly to maintain in the long term and was asking to instead do a mural on the front facing wall of the building once constructed.

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the design of the wall mural for the project.

Motion by Williams, supported by Wood to approve the mural design as presented. Approved 7-0, (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

Proposed Mural – LTU Barrier Wall (Dino Valdez): Design Approval

Bollin provided a short update on three murals that were installed over the summer along the LTU barrier wall on Northwestern Highway. He explained that he was currently working with an artist to add another mural before the weather changed. He stated that the artist had previously done a mural along the wall in 2021 and would be continuing the line of murals and covering up his previous one due to the deterioration of the original piece. He showed the commission the design for the project.

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the design for the LTU Barrier Wall Mural by Dino Valdez with the condition that the artist ensure the use of materials that will result in the piece withstanding the elements for a longer period of time.

Motion by Wood, supported by Milinsky to approve the mural design with the stated conditions. Approved 7-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

11 Mile Obelisk Insurance Claim

Restoration Quote Approval: \$23,500

Concrete Foundation replacement Quote Approval: \$12,700

Croad gave an update on the status of the restoration of the obelisk. He explained that the insurance company has given the okay to proceed with the restoration. However, the insurance

company only reimburses the commission after the work has been completed. Meaning that the commission would need to pay the costs of the restoration & replacement work up front and then be reimbursed later.

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the restoration quote by Dr. Hubert Massey to restore the structural damage and art panel pieces in the amount of \$23,500.

Motion by Hill-Ross, supported by Wood to approve the quote by Dr. Hubert Massey for the restoration of the obelisk, not to exceed \$23,500. Approved 7-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the replacement quote for the concrete foundation for the obelisk in the amount of \$12,700.

Motion by Wood, supported by Milinsky, to approve the replacement quote for the concrete foundation, not to exceed \$12,700. Approved 7-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

Etrog Sculpture – Restoration Quote Approval: \$10,500

Croad updated the commission on the restoration project for the Etrog sculpture located on the city campus. He reminded the commission that the 1st phase of the restoration took place earlier this year to restore and enhance the outside with a protective layer and that a 2nd phase was needed in order to eliminate rust that was seen on the inside of the sculpture. The quote by Venus Bronze Works would allow the company to restore the piece and protect it against future rusting.

Flagg asked for a motion to approve the restoration quote in the amount of \$10,500 to restore the Etrog sculpture.

Motion by Ligan, supported by Williams, to approve the Etrog sculpture restoration quote, not to exceed \$10,500. Approved 7-0 (Crum; Flagg; Hill-Ross; Ligan; Milinsky; Williams; Wood)

Bertoia Restoration update

Croad and Siver gave an update on the Bertoia restoration, explaining that an interested party had reached out to inquire about possibly purchasing the piece. Siver explained the discussions and where they currently stood, telling the commission that the party was very eager and excited to purchase the piece. While a final price had not been discussed, he believed that it would be sold and installed at its new home by the end of the year.

Sebastian Sculpture Update

Siver gave an update on the status of fundraising for the Sebastian art sculpture. He explained that he still had a way to go to meet the funding goal in order to pay for the sculpture and the shipping of the different pieces from Mexico City but if all went well, it could be in place by late summer of 2025.

Fundraising (Strategies)

Kimmie Horne Jazz Festival: Recap

Siver gave an update on the Kimmie Horne Festival and stated that it had raised over \$20k.

Croad informed the commission that the LTU Summer Camp Program, "*Placemaking through Landscape Design*" received a Presidential Award through the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

Golf Outing: postponed until 2025

Croad summarized the idea of starting a golf outing for fundraising opportunities but due to the golf courses schedule over the summer, it was hard to find a date that could work. He stated that for next year, he planned to have one scheduled.

H. Board Member Comments:

I. Adjournment: Time: 7:00 pm.

Note: Next Commission Meeting: October 15, 2024, Conference Room A, unless otherwise posted.

Lilian Crum, Secretary

Date

10/15/24 - Motion by Milinsky Supported by Wood to approve the meeting minutes for September 17, 2024, Approved 8-0, (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Milinsky, Pizana, William, Wood)