

**MARQUETTE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
MINUTES**

February 10, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Marquette, MI

Meeting began at 6:32 PM.

Present: Kristina Behrens, Linnea Gustafson, Steven Hughes, Emily Lancot, Tracy Wascom, Maureen Tyrrell, Tiina Morin

I. Call to Order

Chairperson, Tracy Wascom called meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

II. Roll Call

Linnea Gustafson, Steven Hughes, Emily Lancot, Tracy Wascom, Maureen Tyrrell, Kristina Behrens

III. Approval Minutes

Motion made to approve January meeting minutes by Steven Hughes, seconded by Kristina Behrens. All were in favor.

IV. Public Comment

None

V. MPAC Chair Report

Tracy Wascom updated that the deadline for Queen City Courts project will not be altered. Press kit discussed and planned to be included in March meeting.

VI. Manager Report

Tiina Morin with connectivity issues and will submit any meeting updates via email.

VII. Friends of Marquette Public Art Commission Report

No update.

VIII. Old Business

1. Queen City Courts – Review and ranking of RFQ submissions:
 - a. Discussion of each Commission member's top 5-10 selections
Decision process for final candidate selection discussed. All members presented top 5-10 picks per scoring criteria to rest of group. Tracy compiled and sorted for trends. All trended majority candidates from selection process were discussed at length and further voted on to select top three with one alternative. Steven disclosed to group that top candidates included someone he knows personally; the group voted and agreed to include Steven's vote as he has no conflict of interest.

Final candidates included candidate numbers 23, 20, 31 and number 10 as an alternate.

- b. Establish timing of next phases of reviews: Tracy to submit compiled information brought to meeting by members. Next steps were discussed and include Tiina emailing finalists the contract. Finalists will then have one week to submit with due date of 3/2/21. Plan for approval to be voted on at next City Commission meeting.
 - c. Incorporation of accessibility considerations in finalists' designs submissions discussed. Design submissions due 3/5/21 and to be evaluated at March meeting. The process for introduction of finalist submissions to public will be determined at March meeting. Tiina to inquire if City Commission has to see and vote prior to MPAC members.
2. Confirm MPAC Strategic Plan – Words to Live and Bike By
 - a. Will be reassessed once snow melts
 - b. Plan to end in summer 2021
 3. Creative Neighborhoods – Tiina and Emily provide update.

IX. New Business

None

X. Committee Reports

1. Public Art Inventory/Outreach – No update.
2. Public Art Guidelines – No update.
3. Policy and Maintenance – No update.
4. Artist Handbook – No update.

XI. Good of the Order

No comment.

XII. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19PM.

Next scheduled regular meeting will be 3/10/2021 at 6:30PM.

Respectfully submitted by Maureen Tyrrell.

