

**Vienna Public Art Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2024 - 7:00 PM
Vienna Community Center**



Roll Call: Mike Cheselka, Michelle Kang, Chloe Dehn, Amy Carlini, Lu Cousins, VPAC Clerk
via phone: Kathy Blevins, guest: Bill Comerford-Optimist Club Representative

Meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes

-May 21, 2024 minutes passed as written

Guest from the Vienna Optimist Club

-Mr. Comerford proposed the idea of VPAC collaborating with the Optimist Club to create projects that would support their mission of serving youth in the area.

Chairman's Report

-no report

Regular Business

Call for Artist update

Ms. Cousins reported she has not received any responses. She is going to reach out to Karen Acres at the Workhouse Arts Center in Lorton.

Community Center Indoor Mural update

-Mr. Cheselka reported he, Ms. Blevins, Nicole Falceto and Deborah Kennedy met on June 17 to discuss design options and next steps. A large colorful tree which was presented was the decided choice. Nicole will present the image to Leslie Herman. Need to find out if the image presented is copyrighted. Ms. Cousins made a motion to accept the rendering of the tree mural with the modification of no lights to be presented to Council at the July 8 work session. Ms. Carlini seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

-The second design was a colorful rendering of Town of Vienna iconic images. Ms. Kang made a motion to accept the TOV rendering to be utilized for future VPAC projects. Ms. Cousins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

-The third design was a random sidewalk scene. This image was not accepted.

Citi-Bank mural update

-Mr. Cheselka reported there has been no response for the Call for Artist for the Citi Bank mural project. Citi Bank wants to consult with their own art department, and do the mural themselves, with possible guidance from the VPAC. Their timeline for completion is August/September 2024.

Cherry Street trash enclosure update

-Possible use of the TOV iconic images rendering for this project. Mr. Cheselka will present the idea to the Mayor.

Shirts for members

-Ms. Dehn reported she is prepared to print 20 shirts this week. She will upload the PDF design on the VPAC shared google drive. Ms. Carlini made a motion to accept the shirt design and

approval to move forward with printing. Ms. Kang seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Dehn will provide the invoice for the shirts to Mr. Cheselka for payment.

Harmony Garden ribbon cutting

- Ceremony scheduled for June 25 at 11:00 am
- Need to create signage to recognize VPAC (something different than a plaque)

Exploratory funding committee update

- VPAC will work with the Town and the VPAF to research grant funding for the Community Center mural project

New Business

-Ms. Kang visited the NY School of Art in Vienna to obtain the original VPAC logo design. They are going to try to locate it.

-Mr. Cheselka will follow up with Kathy Georgen, the VPAF treasurer, on whether the VPAF wants to hold insurance. This decision from VPAF is needed to complete or delete a statement referenced in the MOU between VPAC and VPAF

Adjournment

Ms.Kang made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Cousins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment at 8:54 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Kathy Blevins, VPAC Clerk

The mission of the Vienna Public Art Commission is to advise and assist Town Council on matters relating to the advancement of public art in the Town, including the development and funding of a public art program. Public art is defined as art in any media that has been planned and executed with the intention of being staged on Town property, the public right of way, or within commercial developments subject to architectural review.