

**Vienna Public Art Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
October 15, 2024 - 7:00 PM  
Vienna Community Center**



Roll Call: Mike Cheselka, Lu Cousins, Amy Carlini, Maureen Barrett, Michelle Kang, Guest: Lisa Leon Boms with VPAF, Olivia Naughton and mother, Kelly Naughton-Girl Scout, Kathy Blevins-VPAC staff representative.

Meeting commenced at 7 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes

September 17, 2024 minutes passed as written

Guest: Olivia Naughton and mother Kelly Naughton-Girl Scout

Olivia presented her Gold Award Girl Scout project – Little Art Gallery. Olivia is requesting VPAC’s support in her project to be placed on Town property in close proximity to the Vienna Community Center. She would work with VPAC on the design, materials and placement. It would be a mounted structure like a little library. Olivia and her family will maintain the structure and content for the next 5-7 years. Olivia answered questions from VPAC members.

Guest Lisa Leon Boms-Vienna Public Art Foundation

Ms. Leon Boms shared her role and responsibilities as the VPAF Communication Coordinator. She will be stepping down from her role. Ms. Kang volunteered to maintain the Google Drive and Vienna Public Art website. Ms. Barrett volunteered to oversee the social media platforms and will reach out to Chloe Dehn, VPAC student representative, to see if she can assist her. Ms. Leon Boms will send Mr. Cheselka other VPAF members contact information to invite them to attend a VPAC meeting.

Chairman’s Report

Ms. Blevins announced that VPAC members are encouraged to sell Town ornaments on their own. Ornaments can be picked up at the Town Clerk’s office. Ms. Carlini announced she will not be returning to the VPAC after her 2-year term is up in January 2025.

Regular Business

**Community Center mural**

Need to do fundraising.

**Cherry St. Wall enclosure mosaic**

Waiting for artist contract approval by Parks and Recreation.

New Business

**Donuts with Santa**

Ms. Barrett reported that the craft materials are all set.

**Annual presentation to Town Council**

Moved back to December 9.

**LOVE Sign decorating**

Ms. Cousins reported that the LOVE sign will be decorated for Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving. Ms. Barrett made a motion to approve decorating of the LOVE sign for Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving by two groups. Ms. Kang seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Pop up events**

Ms. Kang shared the idea of doing pop up art events in empty store fronts. Ms. Cousins is going to check into insurance costs.

**Little Art Gallery vote**

Concerns about the little art gallery were raised to include, long term maintenance, content control, and setting a pattern for future similar projects on Town property. After discussion Ms. Barrett made a motion to approve the concept of the Little Art Gallery, and to allow Ms. Nautghton to move forward pending approval by Parks and Recreation and the Board of Architectural Review. The motion passed with four approvals, one denial.

Adjournment

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

Adjournment at 8:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Kathy Blevins, VPAC Clerk

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*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.*