Clark County Public Art Committee Meeting May 26, 2015 at 3:30 pm Winchester Cultural Center

Minutes

I. MEETING OPENING: Eric Strain opened the meeting. In attendance: committee members - Keith Conley, Dianne Cripe, and Vicki Richardson. Excused: Robert Fielden and Louisa McDonald. Staff: Patrick Gaffey, Michael Ogilvie and Julianna Navis.

II. MINUTES – Keith moved to approve April 28, 2015 minutes with a correction to the spelling of his name on the final page, Patty seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - *Keith moved to approve agenda, Dianne seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

IV. Tropicana Island Project (from Dean Martin to Boulder Highway) - *For possible Action* a. Discussion and possible action to approve project and decide on a budget.

The committee discussed that there is not enough information to decide on a budget. Michael discussed and presented the schematics of the project and how it will be completed in two different phases. One phase is happening now, which is the resurfacing and the second phase are the medians being added in 2018. There was no action taken. The project will be discussed at the next meeting.

V. Pre-Qualified Artist Roster – For possible Action

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the creation of a pre-qualified artist roster for fast track projects.

The committee discussed this extensively and decided to table the item and have staff develop a plan, and provide more info for going about creating a pre-qualified artist roster. Eric brought up some concerns for the project and said he's on the record opposed to it. Patrick agreed with Eric about the problems with it. Vicki stated she was not for it either. The system now is well thought out and artists understand it. Dianne will send other state projects to Michael to see if the process is working. Eric wants Michael to send what he finds out to the committee. Patty said the reasoning for this pre-qualified roster is because of the lack of time. Michael said to go through all phases of the RFQ process takes six (6) months. Dianne said that by opposing it we miss out on opportunities, because the timeline is so long. Patty agreed and said it gives us options. Eric asked who picks the pre-qualifiers and Patrick stated the committee makes those decisions. There was no action taken and this will further be discussed at the next meeting.

VI. Projects

A. Siegfried and Roy Park: It was said that we need to get the structure and architectural documents approved. Michael showed the new image Wayne Littlejohn sent in. Eric asked if the artist is up to the budget limit. Eric's issue with the project is the amount of land to do something on. Eric was concerned that the setting for the sculpture does not look visually appealing. He wants to know if there is something in the budget to landscape the space. Keith said he talked to the artist about the surroundings and Wayne considered it. Michael said Wayne didn't discuss what he was planning on doing

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with the surrounding plants. Patty said there is so much space because we wanted enough space for the artwork. Eric asked Michael if we can get the final planting plan.

B. Child Haven: Sush Machida has begun work at Child Haven. Michael is in the process of documenting the project and assisting Sush. Michael showed images of Sush's progress and stated regular progress meetings with Sush take place. It was reported that a local lighting company, Nevada Lighting has offered to donate lighting to this project. Patrick addressed that we've had some publicity on the project. Patty said we've had a lot of good feedback.

C. Winterwood Golf Course – cancelled by management. No need for discussion, since the project was cancelled.

D. Maintenance – Zaps, Flamingo Arroyo Trail, Martin Luther King Jr.:

- i. Zaps- The Zap 7 reception went well and Zap 8 will be in Laughlin. Michael showed images of some of the Zap boxes that were taken by Mikayla Whitmore. There has been a lot of positive feedback.
- ii. Flamingo Arroyo Trail- Not discussed.
- iii. Martin Luther King Jr. Not discussed.

E. Street median art – project approved at 1/27/2015 meeting, budget of \$175,000 approved at 2/24/2015 meeting. Project to go to the BCC in May for final ratification. On May 19, the BCC ratified the project and budget.

We are still looking for a jury for this project. Someone from the committee will sit on the jury. The deadline for applications is July 31, 2015. Artists will be submitting for the project in general. Eric brought up Basin and Range and getting a Public Art panel for education. They might be interested on piggy backing and bringing in artists or public works. Eric will reach out to them to get more information.

F. Pebble and Spencer Pedestrian Bridge – project approved at 1/27/2015 meeting, budget of \$200,000 approved at 2/24/2015 meeting. Project to go to the BCC in May for final ratification. On May 19, the BCC ratified the project.

Eric asked for a target date. Michael responded and said there are no plans approved yet to be able to set a target date. Patrick said artists can design fencing and facing of the bridge, but not the bridge itself, since it is too late to design it. Michael is drafting an RFQ for this project in conjunction with the County DA, Purchasing and Public Works.

G. Welcome to Las Vegas Experience Parking Lot Expansion – project approved at 3/24/2015 meeting, budget of \$50,000 for design competition and additional \$20,000 to bring in four to five public art experts to give presentations and workshops to artists submitting for the design competition.

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Patty addressed that she would like to be more involved with this project. Michael asked to put her on the committee for this.

- VII. Informational
 - A. Zap 8

Zap 8 will take place in Laughlin. Michael will survey the prospective boxes requested by the Town Advisory Board. This project will include Laughlin and Las Vegas artists.

B. SBI – Summer Business Institute

Mark Brandvik and Tony Flanagan were rehired to administer the SBI program this year. SBI will have 11 students involved. The projects take up to eight weeks. This is paid out of Educational Outreach. The budget for last year was \$20,000.

C. Children's Festival

Children's Festival went great and Sierra Slentz along with hundreds of children drew on tiles for the Winchester wall mural. Sierra to install them in the coming month.

VIII. COMMENTS BY GENERAL PUBLIC: None.

VIII. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at the Winchester Cultural Center.

Patty motioned for adjournment, Vicki seconded. The motion passed unanimously.