

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO**

**Public Art Committee Meeting
April 13, 2022**

I. OPENING OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

Call to Order

The April 13, 2022, meeting of the Public Art Committee was called to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was conducted at The Collective, 201 N. Public Road, Lafayette, CO 80026.

Roll Call

Those in attendance from the Public Art Committee were Chair Lindsey Wohlman, Acting Secretary Pamela Sherrick, and Member Ellen Smith. LCAC Liaison Marissa Aguilera Saints also attended. Public Art Committee Vice-Chair Josie Knapp, Treasurer Dan Guley, and Member Edie Johansen did not attend.

City participants included ACRD Director and Staff Liaison Susan Booker and Public Art Coordinator Stacey Bernstein. City Council Liaison Nicole Samson did not attend.

Other attendees included Economic Development Director Brigid Keating, Lafayette and Medtronic Public Art Project Advisory Team Member Carolyn Cutler, and Sculptor Robert Tully.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ellen Smith and seconded by Lindsey Wohlman to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2022, Public Art Committee meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no Public Input.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Lafayette Medtronic Public Art Project

Brigid Keating, City of Lafayette Director of Economic Development, and Carolyn Cutler, member of Lafayette and Medtronic Public Art Project Advisory Team, presented this item. Brigid and Carolyn, as members of the Advisory Committee for the Lafayette and Medtronic Public Art Project, presented the Public Art Committee with the proposal of “Leaf Riders” by Robert Tully and Sarah Ortegon for a new gateway art piece at the Medtronic Campus on Highway 287. The Advisory Committee is seeking the Public Art Committee’s approval for this proposal per the Municipal Code Chapter 28, Community Development, Sec. 28-36, Artwork and Site Selection.

The Advisory Committee for the Lafayette and Medtronic Public Art Project that oversaw the procurement and selection process to ensure an inclusive, intentional, and transparent process was formed with representatives from the Public Art Committee, Medtronic, the City of Lafayette, and the Community. Because the site for this art project is a southern gateway into Lafayette, Medtronic volunteered to increase their Public Art commitment to \$150,000. In response, the City of Lafayette agreed to match the Medtronic commitment for a total project budget of \$300,000. This budget is for a new public artwork rather than a cash-in-lieu fee.

The Advisory Committee released a Request for Qualifications in September 2021 and received 148 submissions nationally. The Advisory Committee completed a ranking sheet for the submissions, then invited 17 artists to submit conceptual proposals. The conceptual proposals were ranked, and three

finalists were requested to develop their proposals with additional details. Before selecting the final art piece, the Advisory Committee launched a Lafayette Listens page in March 2022 for community feedback and received a remarkable 464 survey submissions. The three final proposals were reviewed for goals, feasibility, maintenance requirements, budget, schedule, references, and community feedback. The Advisory Committee has reviewed the Public Art Committee's factors for proposed artwork per Municipal Code 28, Section 28-36, including compatibility of the design with the immediate environment of the site; appropriateness of the design to the function of the site; preservation and integration of natural features for the project; appropriateness of the materials and design to the expression of the artist's concept; permanence of structural and surface components; extent to which the work reflects the diverse influences that make the city unique; and proposed site for placement of the artwork.

Robert Tully, one of the artists of the proposed piece, "Leaf Riders," attended the Public Art Committee meeting and answered several questions about the artwork, schedule, and site from the Public Art Committee members.

A motion was made by Lindsey Wohlman and seconded by Ellen Smith to approve the proposal of "Leaf Riders," by artists Robert Tully and Sara Ortegón, as part of the Lafayette Medtronic Public Art project. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.

B. Adopt 2022 PAC Budget

Susan Booker presented this item. The Public Art Committee Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 was submitted to the Public Art Committee for final approval. The total Public Art Committee Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 is \$127,447.00. *A motion was made by Pamela Sherrick and seconded by Lindsey Wohlman to approve the Public Art Committee Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 of \$127,447.00. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.*

C. Art on the Street Update

Stacey Bernstein presented this item. Due to forecast inclement weather, the installations were rescheduled for Tuesday through Thursday of next week. Stacey provided Committee members with a schedule for the installations and encouraged any members who were available to come watch the installs.

D. Through Our Eyes Project Update

Stacey Bernstein presented this item. Stacey has received two quotes for refurbishing/reinstalling this mural of historical photos of Lafayette families. The quoted method should ensure the photos will survive for several years. She asked the Committee for help researching names of the families and approximate dates of the photos if the artist who did the original wheat paste installation does not have the information. Cost to redo the art piece will be approximately \$19K per a quote from Yellow Dog. *A motion was made by Lindsey Wohlman and seconded by Pamela Sherrick for the Public Art Committee to fund \$10,000 of the cost for redoing Through Our Eyes to ensure that it lasts for several years. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.*

E. Public Art Grant Projects Update

The grant check for the mural entitled "Like Mother, Like Daughter" that will be installed on the Read Queen bookstore by mid-June has been mailed. The artist for the interactive artwork entitled "We're All Mad Here" is working on getting a location/site for the piece. The grant check for the free Video Projection Mapping addition to the sixth year of the LEAF Electronic Arts Festival has been mailed. The performance will be projected on the exterior of the Mary Miller Theater; and Odd-13 brewery is promoting the performance. The grant check for the Avatar project entitled "We Are Also You" that will occur from 10/8/22 through 11/18/22 has been issued. The project will be based on Mayan culture

and explore loss, community, and identity. Four artists will participate in the project that will take place at the Lafayette library

F. Arts!Lafayette Report

Stacey Bernstein presented this item. The nonprofit Board had their annual retreat last Sunday at the library. Natalie Portman Marsh was an excellent facilitator, and all Board members were in attendance. The Board all agreed on a vision statement—*ARTS!Lafayette makes more art possible*.

G. Report from LCAC

Marissa Aguilera Saints presented this item. Ellen Laverdure has joined LCAC as a new member. Lafayette's first official Poet Laureate has been selected, Izmart Tec Verde, aka *ZBassSpeaks*. A proclamation will be issued by the City Council on 4/19/22 regarding his two-year appointment to the position. Arts in Education grant applications are being reviewed. LCAC will be sponsoring several outside events this summer.

H. ACRD Director's Report

Susan Booker advised the Committee that she is working on staffing deficits and the strategic plan. She reminded the Committee that the May PAC meeting will be her last one due to her retirement in June. A new part-time docent, Deborah Makray has been hired to work on Sundays and Friday evenings. Also, a summer intern will be starting soon, Alessia Redwine who will assist with Picnic on the Plaza, Art Night Out, and other programming.

I. City Council Liaison Report

As Nicole Samson, the City Council Liaison, did not attend, there was no report presented.

J. Agenda Items for next meeting.

The following agenda items were suggested for the May PAC meeting: Permanent Collection Maintenance; repairs to damaged sculptures by Lueb Popoff in Cypress Park; and farewell to Susan Booker

V. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

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ATTEST

Public Art Committee
Lindsey Wohlman, Chair

Susan Booker, Staff Liaison

The minutes herein are a summary of the business conducted at this meeting, not a verbatim transcript. Only the actions taken and the text appearing in quotation marks are verbatim.