



City of Gaithersburg

31 South Summit Avenue
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877

Art in Public Places Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
Arts Barn
Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 4:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

Present: Mike Sesma, Denise Kayser, Heidi Kessler, Suzanne Takahashi and Shellie Williams.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved.

III. OLD BUSINESS / OPEN ISSUES / REPORTS

A. [Update on Archstone in Old Towne/ Life-size sculpture of Ed Bohrer](#)

The contract with artist Jay Hall Carpenter has been signed and payment is being disbursed. The artist is completing a clay version of the sculpture for review.

B. [Update on Diamond Farms Skate Spot](#)

Staff must identify a community liaison to work with the skate park users and the artist, Peter Krsko. Youth services will identify youth to participate in the creative process. Krsko is exploring materials that allow the final product to glow at night but not rely on electricity. Staff and artist should develop a timeline for project and work with local media to document and promote process and final product. Staff will coordinate a public lecture by Krsko in conjunction with either creative process and/or unveiling of final art work.

C. [Update on City Park Trail Markers/ Bohrer Park](#)

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. [Discussion on Bike Racks at Community Museum](#)

The City is ready to move forward on ordering the train-themed bike rack by artist Bill Coleman of Arc Angels, Inc. Staff will prepare a site map and list of preferred

sites to send to artist.

B. [Discussion on Constitution Gardens](#)

There will be an RFP for Constitution Garden (CG) that will be released in November. The CG committee has identified two potential locations for public art. DKayser suggests that AIPP partner with the CG committee during the design phase and explore ways of incorporating interactive nature play spaces into the design. It is recommended that Mark Scafide from Public Works speak to this committee about CG.

C. [Discussion on Bohrer Park Sculpture Garden](#)

[Discussion of Vision Statement for Sculpture Garden](#)

Trail Markers-Discussion by this committee recommended to install 8 artworks along the 1.1mile walking trail. Four artworks will be permanent and four will be temporary and developed with community-based groups. Markers will be placed approximately every eight of a mile. Themes for the artworks might include motifs from:

- Gaithersburg history—trains, log town
- History of the sites as tobacco farm, sod farm, Indian trail
- Family
- Nature
- Cultural Diversity

Sculpture Park-The Sculpture Park is planned to be a mix of permanent and temporary art works. The City will purchase art works for the collection from the temporary exhibitions and competitions. In order to move forward, staff will prepare the following to share with the committee at next meeting: protocol for interviews with comparable sculpture parks.

[Research Protocols for Comparables Analysis](#)

Discussion was deferred.

[Comparables Analysis Reports Deadline November 26, 2013](#)

Discussion was deferred.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Shellie Williams