# Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission Meeting March 9, 2023

Commission member present: President Melanie Voland, Vice-President Anabel Hopkins, Secretary Emily Stone, Member Lisa Hall, Member Paul Hayes, and Member Phil McKown. Members not present: Member Ann McCann. Also in attendance: Town Manager Sandie Jones.

## **Commission Business**

#### 1. Call to Order

President Voland called the meeting to order at 10:02am

#### 2. Roll Call

Roll call by President Voland

# 3. Approval of Minutes - 2-11-2023 Meeting/Retreat

Motion to approve the minutes by Member Hall., Member Phil McKown seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

# 4. Mural Proposals

## A. Bear Hardware

Bear Hardware Owner Penny Scroggins explained that they would like to paint the American flag on the roof of their building. Adam Long will has been contracted to do the painting. He painted murals at the Seasons and the Music Center behind stage. This will be the largest American flag in the state of Indiana. Some parts of the image may change, but American flag, eagle, and bear will all be included. Current roof painting has been up for 25+ years. Discussion.

Vice-President Hopkins moved tα approve the Bear Hardware flag mural. Member Hall seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor. Mrs. Scroggins advised the work will start on Monday.

#### B. Nashville House

Nashville House owner Andi Rogers-Bartels presented the concept of a vinyl wrap painting of Florals by Patty Bartels. The vinyl wrapped wall will be manufactured by Everywhere Signs and will be installed on the north side of the building. Local artist Brad Cox will install metal sunflowers in the garden area on the northwest corner of the building. Mrs. Rogers-Bartels advised that she has applied for the IN Indiana Public Art Activation Grant to do this mural. Discussion.

Member McKown moved to approve the Nashville House mural. Member Hall seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

#### C. Heritage Mall

Local artist Kurt Eagleman presented his proposal for a mural on south side of the Heritage Mall building. This mural will be educational, and heritage based with Grandma Barnes, Frank Hohenberger and Gustave Bauman all represented in a collage mural. Mr. Eagleman plans to add a QR code to the mural for educational info. He has also applied for the \$10,000 IN Indiana

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Public Art Activation Grant. Mr. Eagleman is looking for an additional \$15,000 from the NAEC for this project. If approved, must be finished by October 15th. Brown County Community Foundation CEO Maddison Miller spoke on use of the NAEC's Hoffman Fund for this piece of community and public art. If the grant is approved, he must finish the mural by October 15th. Discussion.

Member Hayes moved to approve the Heritage Mall mural. Member McKown seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

## D. Salt Creek Trail

Artist Kurt Eagleman spoke about the Salt Creek Trail mural project. He has applied to the State to cover \$25,000 in a matching grant. He is looking for an additional \$30,000 to do the mural as proposed. The Commission noted there is not a solid mural proposal at this time. President Voland suggests going with the grant process and come back to us once that is received and come to us with a mural to approve. BCCF CEO Miller explained that they must have a match commitment to apply for grant. Parks and Rec Director Mark Shields advised that they must get INDOT approval and permits to do the mural. Mr. Eagleman noted that he is willing to change the design to match funding and asked for NAEC input on the design.

BCCF CEO Miller will ask the community foundation to support this mural possibly with a \$15,000 commitment.

### 5. Review NAEC Retreat

Discussion, we did not take advantage of the placemaking grant, as it just didn't fit into 2023. Matching Mural Grants, individuals may apply for grants themselves.

#### 6. Review NAEC Budget

Discussion. Member McKown will educate the NAEC on the Community Foundation's investment options at the April 13, 2023 NAEC meeting.

### 7. Changes in IAC Cultural District Program

The NAEC will be applying for IAC grant funds. Discussion. President Voland moved to put on hold the strategic planning \$1,200 ask from the Edit Fund for Arts road 46 while we apply for Cultural District Grant pending grant approval. Member Hall seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

# 8. Review Funding Requests

Heritage Mall Mural \$15,000 request. Discussion. President Voland moved to fund the Heritage Mall mural in the amount of \$15,000 with funds from the Hoffman Fund contingent upon approval of the \$10K by the State, funds to be paid directly to the artist. Member Hall seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

Salt Creek Trail Mural \$30,000 request. Discussion. The NAEC would like to see buy in from other stakeholders in the community. Secretary Stone moved to fund the Salt Creek Trail mural in the amount of \$15,000 with funds from the Hoffman Fund contingent upon the NAEC's

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approval of design and approval by the state of Indiana. Vice-President Hopkins seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

# 9. Discuss Art Walk Brochure and Music Options

March 14, 2023 is the deadline to get art work and information to brochure designer Andi Wilson. Vice-President Hopkins and Andi Bartels are finishing up work on Antique Alley ideas. Discussion on Music options. The Commission will not fund special music for the Art Walks at this point. They will encourage the galleries to have their own music on premises. Brochures to be printed and delivered by the first week of April.

# 10. Arts Road 46 Update

President Voland and Member Hall are working on the IAC Grant Strategic Planning Set Grant application that is due March 10, 2023.

# 11. NAEC Committee Assignments

Public & Preforming Arts – Ann McCann and Phi McKown. Marketing – Melanie Voland, Lisa Hall, Paul Hayes. Outreach and Education –Anabel Hopkins and Emily Stone.

## 12. Any Other Business That May Come Before the Commission

Funding request from Art Guild for \$1,000 for the Musical Time Concert Series. This series is a result of the collaboration with Center for Rural Engagement and IU Jacobs School of Music. The funding will go toward paying the IU School of Music pianists.

Member Hall moved the Art Guild's Musical Time Concert Series in the amount of \$1,000 from the General Arts and Entertainment fund. Secretary seconded the motion. All unanimously in favor.

President Voland advised that they will also be receiving grant requests from ChamberFest Brown County, Christkindl, and the Art Guild for the Art Colony Weekend.

Vice-President Hopkins attended the Cultural District Zoom Meeting. They highlighted on what other districts are doing... Fort Wayne is building a 30 million art center, Terre Haute will host a total eclipse of the Haute, Fishers is adding a new art center in main floor of city hall, Columbus created a maker space including 3D printer for the community.

## 13. Adjourn

Member Hall moved to adjourn the meeting, Member McKown seconded. President Voland adjourned the meeting at 11:52 am

The audio recording was made at the Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission meeting on 3-09-2023 is retained in the office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer.

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