



ANACORTES ARTS COMMISSION

Members: Lisa Rhoades, Chair,
Mark Gardner, Bob Hogan, Dona Reed, Zachary Wight,
Todd Young, Clarity Miller, Betty Connor, and Diane Marr

August 9, 2023

Members Present: Lisa Rhodes, Bob Hogan, Zack Wight, Diane Marr

Staff Present: Jonn Lunsford, Darby Jordan

Called to Order: 4:04 PM

Minutes: June minutes were unanimously approved.

Public Comments: Zach mentioned that he has seen some Facebook comments about Pianocortes. People are wondering if this program will continue. Bob has reached out to leave messages with several piano tuners as a first step in exploring restarting this program. Beck was in attendance and spoke on the Bill Mitchell mural project. There is an update to the museum website with the latest information and QR codes.

Correspondence & Communication: None

Madrona Grove:

Zach has spoken with Betsy about getting the information from her about past shows at the Madrona Grove, he hopes to have it by September 1st. In the past, Betsy has spoken with several business owners and they would like to see art on Commercial. The possibility of a call to artists in November with a deadline for submissions after the New Year. It was also discussed to increase the stipend and length of the show.

Public Art Map:

Lisa noted some changes to exact locations and then it will be ready to have photos uploaded and an interactive map posted online. Zach will connect with GIS Rob at the City about the specifications needed.

Other Business:

Jonn gave the update that City leadership does not want to see this art on City property. The Arts Festival is reevaluating their options.

Jonn also spoke about the new roundabout on R Ave and the possibility of art being placed there. Engineering will need to provide the specifics for this project.

It was asked if the new MJB project has any requirements for art. Jonn responded that there is nothing set yet but the museum would also like to see this area have more art.

A question was raised about the open seat on the Arts Commission and if it would be possible to have a member of the Samish Nation. Lisa is going to draft a letter and bring it for approval by the Board before sending to the Samish Commissioners.

Meeting adjourned at 4:44pm

Respectfully submitted by Darby Jordan