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Portland Public Art Committee
Wednesday, July 18, 2018
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Portland Public Library

Attendance: Julia Kirby, Chair, Kifah Abdulla, Councilor Pious Ali, Diana Greenwold, Alison Hildreth, Daniel Minter, Corey Templeton. Not in attendance: James Cradock, Jenna Crowder, Jess Lauren Lipton, Lin Lisberger Staff: Caitlin Cameron Member of the public: Carol McCracken

Call to Order 4:01pm – waiting for quorum

Project Reports

Art Underfoot: Cameron will meet with DPW and the fabricator on 7/19 to coordinate this reinstall and receive the bronzes.

[4:05pm Minter, Ali, Hildreth arrive]

Conservation:

Armillary: Jonathan Taggart finished the conservation tasks and submitted a report and photographs. The Rotary Club was notified and will send out a press release.

Signs: Portland Brick plaque was reinstalled in May; Longfellow will be reinstalled following 7/19 meeting.

Loring Memorial: Cameron confirmed the new sign was installed 7/3. This item should now be complete once the old Loring Memorial sign is removed.

Amethyst: No update.

MLK Memorial: Ali and Minter reported that there is no conclusion for this project because there was no quorum at the previous committee meeting. The City Manager has agreed to allocate money towards this project if the Council decides to pursue. The Transportation and Sustainability Committee will decide whether to accept the recommendation or consider Franklin Street as an alternative. The public seems to oppose Franklin Street as a site.

Congress Square: Cameron, Hildreth, and LaCasse continue to have bi-weekly check-in calls with Sze Studio. On 7/31 there will be a call regarding the proposal for stones at the base of the sculpture with Patrick Cullina, Sze Studio, and the City. The next steps include renderings of the sculpture in the finalized design development of the landscape and then design development of the sculpture itself. Cameron will send the Congress Square documents to the new members to help familiarize with the project.

Approve Minutes from June 20, 2018 **[Minter, Hildreth, unanimous (6-0, 1 abstain) approval]**

Subcommittee Reports

Governance/Board Development: Three committee positions to be filled for FY 19: Jim Cradock, Kifah Abdulla, and

Jess Lipton. The City issued formal proclamations to LaCasse and Muench for their nine years of service – Cameron will send copies to the committee.

Communications: none

Site Selection: Further discussion of the USM roundabout project and potential committee members. Minter and Greenwold will be co-chairs. Non-voting participants would include Kirby, Lisberger, Cameron. Next steps: Kirby will reach out to subcommittee members including USM, Councilors, neighborhood groups, landscape architects. Other suggestions included King Middle School, the law schools.

Temporary Art

- Andy Rosen will proceed with Temporary Art installation Tread at Ocean Gateway in August. Cameron will draft a press release on behalf of the committee announcing the installation.

Other Business

- Committee decided to cancel August meeting.
- PMA VIP tour recap from Kirby and Greenwold.
- Cameron mentioned the Casco Bay Ferry Terminal improvements which may include a mural or similar artwork. Unclear whether this might fall under Public Art purview – property is City but building is run by Casco Bay Lines. Cameron will consult with Corporation Counsel on this question of whether any artwork as part of the building would need to follow Public Art guidelines.

Adjourn at 5:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Caitlin Cameron