

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 6, 2025

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation Advocacy Committee of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 11:15 a.m. in the Centennial Park Conservancy Conference Room, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. Shan Foster, Mr. Edward Henley III, Mr. Pete DeLay, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes and Dr. Michelle Steele. Mr. Crews Johnston and Ms. Cheryl Mayes were not present. Ms. Tessa Ortiz-Marsh was present to represent Metro Legal.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Shan Foster.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

III.

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PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE DEFERS THE REQUEST OF WATKINS COLLEGE OF ART AT BELMONT UNIVERSITY FOR ACCEPTANCE OF AN IN-KIND GRANT, NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00, FOR A COMMISSIONED MURAL OF ART ON THE REAR EXTERIOR WALL OF THE EASLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, TO A FUTURE MEETING.

Ms. Tessa Ortiz-Marsh, Metro Legal reported that this project is a THRIVE project (Artist grant project) and not Public Art and therefore will not be maintained by the Arts Commission. Ms. Ortiz-Marsh advised that the request be deferred to allow time to work out and reflect maintenance details.

Per discussion, the Public Art Committee recommended deferring the Watkins College of Art at Belmont University request for acceptance of an in-kind grant, not to exceed \$20,000.00, for a commissioned mural of art on the rear exterior wall of the Easley Community Center at E.S. Rose Complex (1000 Edgehill Ave, Nashville, TN), to a future meeting to work out some additional details on the maintenance portion.

IV. ADJOURN



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