City of Port St.Lucie

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Public Art Advisory Board Meeting Minutes - Draft

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Monday, September 19, 2022

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 188

Addition of Item 4b

1. Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD of the City of Port St. Lucie was called to order by Chair Williams on September 19, 2022, at 6:05 p.m., at Port St. Lucie City Hall, Room 188, 121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:
Maddie Williams, Chair
Amy Alice
Nashaly Camacho
Alexandria Gribble
Diane Turner
Alice Zinn

Members Not Present: Richard W. Lee, Vice Chair Peter Pascucci, Alternate

3. Approval of Minutes

3.a August 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes

2022-819

Ms. Turner moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Gribble seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. New Business

4.a A Request for Approval of an Alternative Equivalent Proposal for Public Art - Sansone Group for Legacy Park in Southern Grove

2022-810

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint & a map was shown at this time.) Bridget Kean, Senior Planner, explained that the developer was looking to combine six projects into one large art piece for a location located in Legacy Park, Southern Grove, which was off of I-95 and Becker Road. She stated that the total price of the piece was \$572,425 and would be designed by local artist Geoffrey Smith. She explained staff's recommended conditions of approval.

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Dennis Murphy, Culpepper & Terpening, explained the uses and distribution centers of Legacy Park, he added that two sites, Cheney Brothers and Project Apron, were not included in this project. He showed the location of the Tree of American Dreams sculpture, the northeast corner of the Sansone Boulevard and Becker Road intersection. He showed different viewpoints of the art piece and added that they would add lighting, landscaping and a pedestal. He informed the Board that the building period would be 2022-2023 and completion is projected around late 2023 or early 2024.

Nick Sansone, informed the Board that his late father, who was from Italian descent & worked hard, was very proud of the Port St. Lucie site and they wanted to honor his legacy. He explained his family's connection to the sculpture which stood for family, faith, community and country. Those four items were the roots of the tree, the eight branches stood for each of the children, the center trunk of the tree stood for the mother of the family and the eagle symbolized the freedom and opportunities that America offered.

Geoffrey Smith, artist, stated that the sculpture was a beautiful and powerful statement. He explained his process of building the sculpture, which would be cast in bronze. He stated that the tree would be about ten feet tall, the eagle would be about three to four feet tall, totaling just under 14 feet tall and about eight and a half feet wide at the top of the tree. Ms. Alice inquired if there would be lighting, to which Mr. Smith responded in the affirmative and added that it would be raised on a pedestal. Mr. Murphy voiced that they were trying to minimize having public cars driving into the park since there would be large trucks in the distribution area and felt that having one large piece at the entrance was a better, safer solution.

Ms. Zinn inquired if the land to the west was owned, to which Ms. Kean replied that the GFC owned the land. Ms. Zinn voiced that apartments should be located near the warehouses. Mr. Murphy voiced that it was a mixed-use area. Ms. Zinn inquired if the two projects, not included in this proposal were likely to install their own public art, to which Mr.

Murphy responded in the affirmative. Ms. Kean stated that Cheney Brothers were proposing an art piece related to their business.

Ms. Turner moved to recommend approval of an alternative equivalent proposal for Public Art - Sansone Group for Legacy Park in Southern Grove with staff's recommended conditions. Ms. Gribble seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

4.b Oath of Office for New Public Art Advisory Board Members

2022-820

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Call to Order.) The Deputy City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Nashaly Camacho.

5. Unfinished Business

There was nothing heard under this item.

6. Other issues by Board Members

There was nothing heard under this item.

7. Public to be Heard

There was nothing heard under this item.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.		
Maddie Williams, Chair		
Shanna Donleavy, Deputy City Clerk		