

Public Art and Cultural Commission

August 28, 2014

Members Present:

Jaan Ferree	Gwynne Rukenbrod	Jennifer Bowen
Guillermo Rodriguez	Victor Palomino	Sharon Trammel
Robert Todd	Jay Fields	Constance Richards

Staff Present:

Brenda Mills, Office of Economic Development Caroline Long, Office of Economic Development
Sam Powers, Office of Economic Development

Chair Guillermo Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm.

1. Approve July 24, 2014 Minutes

Jen made a motion to approve the minutes, Victor seconded the motion, and all approved.

2. Presentation – LEAF

Jennifer Pickering with Lake Eden Art Festival made a presentation on their festival , Schools & Streets, and International programming. The Schools & Streets program has been very successful, including a week-long camp located at the Dr. Wesley Grant Center. The Easel Rider has helped to build positive community experiences for youth and families, and the International program is currently active in 10 countries. The Commission expressed support for the LEAF program and enjoyed the presentation.

3. Staff's Report and Information

Brenda gave an update to the Maintenance and Repair Report, stating that the 51 Biltmore project has asked for a one-week extension to the original completion date due to humidity, and they will have an unveiling at the end of October. The Parks department does not anticipate the Nature Center public art moving forward this year. The Colonel Morgan memorial event was a success, with members of his family present. Staff is planning to attend the community event for the Burton Street mural; and Staff anticipate starting Phase 1 of all the greenways soon, possibly first quarter 2015. Jaan distributed a mock-up of the new Urban Trail #15 Market Place pedestal, with an expected unveiling of the new piece this fall.

Brenda noted that Staff will order enough Urban Trail Brochures to have a 1-year supply. The Commissioners gave information on upcoming arts events at the Grove Arcade, UNCA, and the Asheville Art Museum.

4. New Business

Jen Bowen moved to add Jen Gordon and Claire Reader to the Advocacy Committee, with a second from Sharon Trammel. It was unanimously approved.

Guillo moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 and Jen seconded.