



Julia Kirby, Chair
James Cradock
Jenna Crowder
Diana Greenwold
Alison Hildreth
Pandora LaCasse
Lin Lisberger
Daniel Minter, Creative Portland
Tony Muench
Corey Templeton
Brian Batson, City Councilor

Management & Administration
Caitlin Cameron, Urban Designer

Portland Public Art Committee
Wednesday, February 21, 2018
4:00-6:00pm, Public Library Room 3

Attendance: Julia Kirby, Chair, James Cradock, Jenna Crowder, Alison Hildreth, Tony Muench, Corey Templeton Members of the Public: Cyrus Hagge, Dela Taylor Staff: Caitlin Cameron Not in attendance: Councilor Batson, Diana Greenwold, Pandora LaCasse, Lin Lisberger, Daniel Minter

Call to order 4:00pm – no quorum at this point

Project Reports

Art Underfoot: Crowder asked for Department of Public Works to provide guidance on the bolt attachments for the bronze bricks. Installation will be ready soon.

Maintenance/Conservation:

- *Glimpse* – PPAC is waiting for invoice from artist. Penetrol was not applied due to weather – will happen in the spring.
- *Portland Brick/Longfellow signs*: No update from DPW
- *Armillary*: Conservation work not done, yet. Cameron will check in with Jonathan Taggart.
- *Conservation RFP* – Cameron reported that two RFP responses were received and reviewed but winner cannot be announced, yet.
- *Loring Memorial* – Cameron reported on another traffic accident that damaged the memorial on New Year's Day; the Loring family was notified. The insurance should cover the cost and the Parks Department will commence repair in spring. Kirby inquired whether it is time for some traffic safety measures – Cameron responded that DPW was planning to add a flashing light before the curve in the road as a warning.

Amethyst Lot: No updates. Staff need to confirm the committee list. Kirby will ask Minter on progress of MLK task force.

Congress Square: Hildreth and Cameron gave an update on the status of the project – not much has changed with the sculpture at this point. Sze Studio is waiting for some progress on the planter design and location. There is a possibility that the third sculpture will be removed. We have also discussed the possibility of moving the second sculpture further into the park to increase the visual connection from the sidewalk to the park and from within the park across to the museum.

[4:15pm Muench arrives]

Subcommittee Reports

Governance Committee: Two members' terms will end this summer. Cameron to confirm with City Clerk. Muench requested to stay involved with the subcommittees (Amethyst and Congress Square). New members need to be assigned to subcommittees.

Communications Committee:

- **Publications:** Kirby and Lisberger have been working with a USM student to produce Art in Our Front Yard videos – one on Vivian Beer and one on the Hiker.

Site Selection Committee:

- **Roundabout:** The subcommittee met to discuss the possibility of a new public artwork in coordination with the proposed roundabout near USM. Muench also contacted the landscape architect to confirm what limitations are on the design. Sight distances apply to the outer sides of the intersection but not within the circle itself. Hildreth expressed support for the idea as well as a possible companion piece outside of the circle. Lisberger and Kirby will attend the neighborhood meeting to hear whether the neighborhood stakeholders have interest in artwork in this location. Kirby added that this is an off-peninsula site which meets one of the committee's goals. Cyrus Hagge added that USM does not have a specific role in the roundabout implementation which is planned for 2019 construction. Suggests adding power/electricity to center circle as part of the construction for a possible future installation. Cradock commented that many people travel through the intersection/ high visibility. Cameron agreed that it would also create an identity. Kirby suggested that no action be taken but that the full committee continue the conversation at the next monthly meeting.

Gifts Committee: No updates

Other Business:

- **Temporary Art:**
 - Temporary Art Review panel will be convened to review the TEMPO summer proposal on Back Cove.
 - The Bloomberg Foundation is calling for applications for temporary art proposals.
 - Dela Taylor presented a proposal for a MECA class that will have five student temporary art proposals installed in Congress Square Park through the student temporary art process. Some discussion about review process and role of the PPAC – committee suggested that the review process with some committee members might be a valuable critique experience for the students. Taylor asked whether there are particular themes to explore with the work – Crowder suggested digital media, social themes or generally exploring topics and media that are different from the permanent collection.
- **Annual Dinner:** Committee delayed to May following meeting – location confirmed for Little Giant at 6:30pm.

Approve minutes from December 20, 2017 with one correction. **[Hildreth, Cradock 6-0]**

Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm

Submitted by: Caitlin Cameron