



Attendance

Members Present: Ty Mays Kelty, Tisha Smith, Roshawn Dorsey, Myrna Fuller

Guests: Kathryn Earley

Staff: Salondia Aveni

Members Absent: Hazel Simpson, Traci Harden, Arelious Cooper

Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order at 11 am.

Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

- Agenda and minutes were accepted by vote.

Opening Remarks

New Member Swearing In

- Appointee, Arelious Cooper was postponed until next meeting.

Mayor Kamau's Attendance

- Chair highlighted remarks made by Mayor Kamau during the last PAC meeting: he wants to make the CoSF a lucrative destination for the art and film industry, make public meetings accessibly for all citizens to participate in the process, and offered his support in helping the PAC work through current issues. He invited Commission members to the following sessions: South Fulton Municipal Association meeting, exploratory conference with the new interim City Manager, and to appear at the Council budget work session.

Old Business

Ordinance

- 6/5 conference was arranged by the Mayor to discuss the PAC Ordinance and budget discrepancies with interim City Manager, Sharon Subadan and Finance Director, Karen Slayton Dixon. Ty Mays, Salondia Aveni, and Myrna Fuller attended.
- We discovered that portions of the Ordinance did not align with city legislation, operational requirements, or standards of practice.
- The City Manager will research all issues and report findings.

Budget

- FY 24 Budgets are due tomorrow, 6/16. The 2024 budget, which is based on the FY 23 budget minus completed or non-applicable items, will be emailed to PAC members today for review and return by noon tomorrow.
- An introductory contact should be made with new Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Dominic Ochel.
- 2023 projects to be removed from the FY24 budget were discussed.

Review of Programming Status for Budget Adjustment

- District 1- The Sandtown mural is in this year's budget. Councilmember Rowell held a community in-put meeting, Parks and Rec. will take measurements, and an RFP will go out soon.

- District 2 – money will be used for a joint project with Economic Development to set up an artist incubator. The church location has 6 spaces upstairs for studio/classrooms and 1 on the first floor. The first floor location fulfills the ADA requirement. Each artist will receive a 5K stipend.
- District 3 – Has issues of a dangerous intersection and an abandon park. *Art in the Paint* is slated to produce a public art project on the basketball court. We are researching the Ordinance conflict of interest clause to determine legality of a commission member to work on this project.
- Salonnia Aveni and Ty Mays met with the district’s Main Street Coordinator Katlin King to discuss the Swordfish Swim team mural.
- District 4 – Dugout wall is scheduled to be painted on Sept. 30. Tish Smith indicated that her council person wanted to move forward with the project and will contact him for an update by Tuesday. Ty Mays will investigate how to implement.
- District 6 – Burdett Park, project is in progress.
- District 7 – Has no city property to house public art which is the requirement for public art in the PAC Ordinance. Roshawn Dorsey will confirm with her council person as to whether the district has city property by tomorrow. We discussed other possibilities such as painting pavement or signal light boxes. Greystone Power is a definite no, while Georgia Power might be convinced to reconsider as they allow painted boxes in Atlanta and we have a South Fulton GP employee advocate.

New Business

Meeting Location

- Mayor Kamau is requiring all city public meetings to be in-person accessible and to hold members accountable through consistent attendance monitoring.
- A unanimous vote was taken to hold hybrid meetings focused on always having a quorum present.
- Our in-person meeting location is the SWAC.

Open Competition Guidelines

- The PAC agreed to test steps developed from the Open Competition portion of the PAC Guidelines and Policies document to select an artist for the Mayor’s office mural. Previous public art projects have used the Direct Selection process which limits opportunity for a larger number of artists to apply or for them to gain from the selection experience, and be recognized. Kathryn Earley, Tisha Smith, and Myrna Fuller will work on implementing this process.

City Councilmember PAC Selection Handbook

- Kathryn Earley and Myrna Fuller will develop a guide to help Council members make informed PAC appointments.

Announcements and Activities

Red Oak Festival in Oct.

- A virtual festival planning meeting will convene on June 28, at 12 noon. The focus should be to involve organizations, vendors, and participants from diverse locations to attract attendees in keeping with the objectives of producing festivals. Kathryn Earley and Myrna Fuller agreed to join Ty Mays and Salondia Aveni on the organizing committee.

West End Performing Art Center

- The WEPAC has been purchased by the City of Atlanta. Tisha Smith will reach out to them regarding Festival participation. FC staff employees remain in place.

Newspaper Box Project

- Boxes located in Cascade and Sandtown Crossing Publix Shopping Centers will be painted and used to hold news stories about local residents. Westlake students will be engaged in the project.

Theatre Production at SWAC

- True Colors opens *The Wiz Atlanta* on 6/16 which will run through July 2nd.

Other

FireFly Software

- Suggestion was made for PAC to explore using FireFlies companion notetaking software to MS Teams.
- Myrna Fuller will look into feasibility of use by PAC.

Next Meeting

July 20, 2023. Hybrid - In-person (915 New Hope Rd SW, Atlanta, GA 30331-7235) and virtual.

Adjournment – 12:05 pm

Task List Summary

Send FY 24 budget to PAC member for input.	TM
Review and send budget comments by noon 6/16	All
Check with District 4 Councilmember about dugout wall project by next Tuesday.	TS
Investigate the dugout project implementation scope	TM
Confirm with District 7 Councilmember as to whether the district has city property by tomorrow.	RD
Review and develop next steps for Open Competition document, application, and process	KE, TS, MF
Develop a guide to help Council members make PAC appointments.	KE, MF
Red Oak Festival planning	KE, MF, TM, SA
Research Firefly software	MF