

## **Baltimore City Public Art Commission (PAC)**

**December 15, 2023**

### **MINUTES**

#### **I. Call to Order**

10:35 AM  
Baltimore City Public Art Commission (PAC) Monthly Meeting  
Friday, October 20, 2023  
The Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts  
7 Saint Paul Street  
Clipper Room  
Baltimore, MD 21202

#### **II. Role Call**

##### **Commissioners**

Aaron Bryant - Present  
Jacqueline Bershard - Absent  
Sam Holmes – Absent  
Alma Roberts - Present  
Danielle Brock - Absent  
Lady Brion- Present

Jazz Ezenberg - Present

Evan Richardson - Present

Jessica Bell Brown - Present

##### **BOPA Staff**

Todd Yuhanick – Baltimore Office of Promotion and The Arts CEO Interim  
Barbara Hauck – Communications Manager  
Devin Shacklett- Senior Program Coordinator  
Kirk Shannon-Butts – Senior Curator & Public Art Manager  
Christopher Brooks – Director, Arts Council

##### **Guests**

##### **Media**

#### **III. October 2023 Minutes**

- Will review in January.
  - There's only one PAC member present at the last PAC meeting.
    - Aaron Bryant summarized the last PAC meeting to the PAC.

- In short, the PAC needs to implement protocols and procedures for the community to present future proposals.
  - Evan Richardson suggested the PAC create sub-committees to work on things before coming to the PAC meeting every month. Also creating a strong foundation is needed.
    - Aaron Bryant agreed. He also added that this is something to re-visit for the next meeting after the New Year.
      - Kirk requested that the PAC review the provided binders in addition to think about what the procedures should be moving forward.
        - January 15<sup>th</sup> deadline
      - Sam Holmes requested a definite answer from the mayor's office regarding the 1% of Arts and knowing the parameters.
        - Aaron Bryant added we could be better support regarding this by staying in the Parameters of the PAC.
          - The PAC is responsible for making recommendations not decisions.
        - Lady Brion asked what the process will be to gain the clarity needed.
          - Lady Brion suggested inviting the Comptrollers/everyone who is responsible to the next PAC meeting.
          - Kirk requested the PAC to provide a list of Liaisons to invite to the PAC meeting.
          - Sam Holmes requested that we go step by step first by understanding the PAC's relationship with BOPA to know the parameters.
          - Lady Brion added a suggestion that the PAC also create questions regarding where each PAC member would need clarity on, providing BOPA and the Comptroller office.

#### **IV. Updates**

- Welcome New PAC Commissioners
  - The new PAC members have joined their first meeting.
    - Everyone on the PAC introduced themselves.
- Garrison Middle School – Damaged Robert Creamer (Spirit, 1992) artwork.
  - Kirk had a meeting regarding the damaged artwork and its need to be removed.
    - The work does not have mercury, so it will be repaired. The other works in the space will be repaired also.
      - Aaron asked when the PAC will receive the report.
        - March 2024.
          - Evan Richardson inquired about the process to conserve damaged art.

#### **V. New Business**

- Norman Carlberg, Caterpillar at Dallas F. Nicholas Elementary
  - Friends of Public Art requested the PAC to allow the Friends of Public Art to apply for the \$30,000.00 grant because they cannot proceed until the PAC approves. This piece is a part of the city's portfolio.
    - Aaron suggested the PAC receive new proposals before PAC meetings.
  - The PAC motioned to approve for the Friends of Public Art to apply for the grant, but the PAC is expecting a report regarding prior to starting the work.
  - Commissioners vetoed and approved Friends of Public Art request to apply for the MSAC PAMM grant.

#### **VI. Questions/Additional Comments from the PAC**

- Aaron suggested that the PAC confirm the guidelines and procedures regarding proposals to the PAC.
- He also mentioned the updating of the website.

#### **VII. News from the PAC**

#### **VIII. Meeting Adjourned**

- The meeting adjourned at 11:57 AM.