

SIoux FALLS VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION VIDEO CONFERENCE WORKING SESSION MEETING

Working Session 2020-6 Wednesday September 9, 2020
5:30-7:30pm

Meeting Notes (Draft)

Meeting was held Via WebEx.

MEETING NUMBER (ACCESS CODE): 146 219 4883

MEETING PASSWORD: xtZffNqA534

I. Call to Order & Quorum Determination: The meeting was called to order at 5:41pm.

Members present: James Zajicek, Joe Schaefer, Zach DeBoer, and Kellen Boice.

Staff present: Shawna Goldammer, Planning Projects Coordinator

A motion was made by Commissioner Schaefer to approved the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner DeBoer. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Welcome & Introductions: None needed.

III. Public Input: No public joined the meeting.

IV. Review of the August 5, 2020 Work Session Notes: Commissioners Boice, DeBoer and Zajicek reviewed the notes. No changes were recommended. (No motion was made to approve because the August 5, 2020 working session did not have a quorum).

V. VAC Focus: Mural Ordinance Discussion:

Section III, the registration: *Shawna Goldammer shared the view of the word document noting that mural registration would be the third section of the Sioux Falls mural ordinance. The language has not been modified from the LA ordinance. As in LA, the authority is given to the Director of Planning and Development to review the registration application and make rules to implement the ordinance. The discussion then turned to the neighborhood involvement section. Generally, most thought neighborhood involvement should be incorporated in the Sioux Falls ordinance, but not all neighborhoods in Sioux Falls, have an association. Shawna Goldammer explained the petition process, and how this is a method to inform neighbors. Other methods of neighborhood notice were discussed including posting of signs, having something in the window, sending letters, having a neighborhood meeting or simply going and knocking on doors and handing out flyers.*

The discussion turned to the necessity of a registration requirement. It was pointed out that murals have not needed to be registered in the past and current ordinances for permits are not being enforced. The registration should be seen as a good thing for the artist and the neighborhood. The registration should be supportive of the artist. Murals are a way of place making, and protecting property owners is a consideration in the registration. Neighborhood

involvement should not give the perception that neighbors can judge the content or the artwork itself. The registration should be a simple application that once approved, could be given to the neighbors.

After some discussion, it was decided that the property owner should have the responsibility of the registration application. Also, if needed the owner could de-register a mural as well.

A difference between commercial and residential neighborhoods should be accommodated in the neighborhood involvement requirement. Neighbors adjacent, those on the same block, or anything facing the street should be included, as neighbors to be in the know about the project, before the mural is installed. Apartment and condo residents were discussed. The language should highly recommend they are notified, but not require it.

Grandfather clause should be included, rather than trying to retroactively include murals in the registry.

Section II: The Standard

The standards should include maintenance. If the paint is flaking or chipping off, it should be fixed for no impact to the environment.

The application for the registry was discussed, and the subcommittee indicated that they would like to have a “what should be in the application” discussion at the next working session. Also, more artists outreach is needed, once all the sections of the ordinance are put together into one document. Artists can join the meetings anytime.

VI. Announcements

a. Next VAC Meetings

- I. VAC Regular Meetings:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020, 9:00 am, City Center, 231 N Dakota Ave and Via WebEx;
- II. Future VAC Work Session (if needed):** October 14, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm, DT Library Meeting Room A (If open to the public) or WebEx

VIII. Adjournment: A motion was made by Joe Schaefer to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Zach DeBoer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19pm