



**AGENDA
PUBLIC ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION
MEETING
CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS**

Leander Activity Center
11880 Hero Way West, Suite 600 - Leander, Texas
Wednesday, August 14, 2024
Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM



Place 1 – Mical Roy
Place 2 – Keysha Bradford
Place 3 – Nekosi Nelson
Place 4 – Lisa Haynes
Place 5 – Reddy Yeduru

Place 6 –Sammy Panzarino
Place 7 –Steve Kuwitzky
Place 8 - Vacant
Council Liaison - Na'Cole Thompson
Staff Liaison - Greg Olmer

REGULAR MEETING

1. Open Meeting.
2. Roll Call.
3. Public Comments.
4. City Council Update.
5. Staff Liaison Update.
6. Sub-Committee Updates.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

7. Approval of the minutes for meeting held on June 26, 2024.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Recieve a presentation from Leander Chamber of Commerce (LCC) President, Bridget Brandt, regarding LCC Foundation.
9. Discuss and consider action on Sub-Committee Terms.
10. Discuss and consider action on an an expenditure up to \$1,000.00 for a plaque to be included on the Bill Pickett Sculpture.
11. Discuss and consider action on the Harriet Tubman Traveling Exhibition.
12. Discuss and consider action on an increase from \$2,500.00 to \$5,000.00 in the approved Art Fest budget.
13. Discuss and consider action on art ideas for the Senior Activity Center.
14. Future Agenda Items.

15. Closing Statements.
16. Adjournment

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Greg Olmer, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
8/14/2024

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Approval of the minutes for meeting held on June 26, 2024.

BACKGROUND:

Attached are the minutes for the meeting held on June 26, 2024.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments:

1. LPAC Draft Minutes 06.26.2024



**MINUTES
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REGULAR MEETING

1. Open Meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

2. Roll Call.

Everyone was present except Commissioner Kuwitzky.

3. Public Comments.

Kathy Bonardi commented she likes to stay involved in the City of Leander politics in general.

Jennifer Jones stated she is eager to help LPACC however she can and share her art with the community.

4. City Council Update.

No update.

5. Staff Liaison Update.

Updates included: Budget for Funds 10 and 75, June donations, Senior Activity Center art plan, upcoming VFW BBQ Cookoff and Liberty Fest, LPACC Master Plan Solicitation, LPACC Solicitation for Devine Lake Sculpture; nd reminder of no meeting in July.

6. Sub-Committee Updates.

The Juneteenth event attendance was estimated at 3,000 attendees.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

Motion: Approve consent agenda

By: Board Member Panzarino

Seconded: Board Member Haynes

Vote: 7 - 0

7. Approval of the minutes for the meetings held on March 13, 2024, April 10, 2024, and May 8, 2024.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Discuss and consider action on a new proposal for a "Live, Love, Leander" mural.

Motion: Approve supporting the Libby Bratt Mural Project through LPACC Facebook postings

By: Board Member Haynes

Seconded: Board Member Bollom

Vote: 7 - 0 None

9. Discuss and consider action on a new proposal for a mural project at the Leander Public Library.

No action.

10. Discuss and consider action on a new proposal for additional art murals at the Leander Activity Center.

Following a discussion, this item was moved to the August 14, 2024.

11. Discuss and consider action on adding a plaque to the Lakewood Park Sculpture Garden.

Motion: Approve an expenditure up to \$2,000 for the installation of a plaque with defined language, as discussed and determined at Lakewood Sculpture Garden.

By: Board Member Panzarino

Seconded: Board Member Haynes

Vote: 7 - 0

12. Discuss and consider action on the procurement and installation of a permanent life-size Bill Pickett sculpture at the Lakewood Sculpture Garden.

Motion: Approve issuing an RFP for a Bill Pickett Sculpture or an amount of up to \$50,000 to be placed at Lakewood Park Sculpture Garden

By: Board Member Bollom

Seconded: Board Member Panzarino

Vote: 7 - 0

13. Discuss and consider action on a gardening and sign project at Robin Bledsoe Park.

Following a discussion, no action was taken.

14. Discuss and consider the addition of a fifth art bench at Lakewood Park Sculpture Garden.

Motion: Approve an RFP for up to \$3,000 out of Fund 10 for a call to art for the rent/lease of new art sculptures at Lakewood Park Sculpture Garden

By: Board Member Haynes

Seconded: Board Member Bollom

Vote: 7 - 0

Motion: Approve an RFP out of Fund 75 up to \$3,000an art bench.

By: Board Member Bollum

Seconded: Board Member Panzarino

Vote: 6-1 (Bollum)

15. Discuss and consider action on support of the City of Round Rock Team in Response to the Juneteenth Tragedy.

Motion: Approve donating \$1,000 to Round Rock in response to the Juneteenth tragedy.

By: Board Member Bollom

Seconded: Board Member Panzarino

Vote: 7 - 0

16. Discuss and consider action on the 2024 Art Fest budget.

Motion: Approve allocating \$2,500 towards Art Fest budget.

By: Board Member Bollom

Seconded: Board Member Panzarino

Vote: 7 - 0

17. Future Agenda Items.

1. Bill Pickett Plaque
2. Invitation to Bridget from the Chamber for a presentation for the Art Foundation
3. Subcommittee Discussion on Terms
4. RFP Mural at Lakewood site

18. Closing Statements.

No comments.

19. Adjournment

Adjourned at 8:23 pm.

APPROVED

CHAIR

ATTEST:

STAFF LIAISON



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
8/14/2024

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Recieve a presentation from Leander Chamber of Commerce (LCC) President, Bridget Brandt, regarding LCC Foundation.

BACKGROUND:

The Commissioners will receive a presentation from Leander Chamber of Commerce President-Bridget Brandt, on the Leander Foundation on their mission of work with artists to help further art projects in the community.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments:

1. Leander Chamber Foundation Attachment

Leander Chamber Foundation

Partnering with business to grow and enhance Leander

About the Foundation

The Leander Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce the **Leander Chamber Foundation**! The mission of the Leander Chamber Foundation (LCF) is to be a proactive advocate and resource for the Leander region. It is committed to advancing our region's economic vitality and quality of life through the provision of strong leadership and through the formation of dynamic organizational and community partnerships.



Inaugural Projects: Art in Leander

In accordance with our mission, an enduring goal of the LCF will be to partner with local businesses, organizations, and individuals to raise money for the creation and maintenance of art installations around the city. The Foundation has recognized plans to install murals in several locations for future projects, and we're currently accepting donations to support our inaugural projects: **the Cheers Leander mural** and **the Library Mural**, both designed by artist Libby Bratt.

Cheers Leander Mural

Planned for an outside wall at 5th Element Brewing, the Cheers Leander mural will bring a smile to residents and visitors alike. This mural will be created with exterior acrylic high-pigment paints to help keep the colors bright for many years to come. Installation cost and ongoing upkeep and maintenance is estimated to be \$4000.

Artist Libby Bratt said about her design:

The inspiration for the Cheers Leander mural concept came from my joy of living in Leander coupled with the beauty of the local flora. A wonderful life is full of color and fun—that's the kind of life I lead in Leander and wanted this piece to exemplify it! I hope that its bright and bold colors will draw a lot of pleasant attention as well as photo-loving residents (and non-residents!) who want to come out and get a picture in front of it.



Support this mural project!

[Click here](#)

Leander Library Mural

Book lovers will enjoy this planned mural designed for the Leander Library. This gorgeous design brings nature and vibrant color inside through the use of pigmented acrylic paint. Installation cost and ongoing upkeep and maintenance is estimated to be \$7000.

Artist Libby Bratt said about her design:

The inspiration for the Explore design for the Leander Public Library came from my own passion for the library. I see the library as a place of discovery, enrichment, engagement and fun. As a child and as an adult, my heart and mind have found solace in libraries, even as I have travelled to different areas of the world. On the left side of the library design, we find a bird book opened to a page about painted buntings. But, if we look closely, we see that the bird is missing from the picture--in fact, you can see the page underneath where the bird has been.... Just as books take our imaginations from reality into

another realm altogether, so, too, the bird has flown off the page and into being. The bird represents the huge freedom we have to explore our world through the use of the library's books and programs. The flowers in the image represent not only area flora but also a nod to the "seed" program that the library has. I've included a monarch on the antelope horn because our monarchs are dependent on the milkweed, something that is becoming less and less prevalent in this area because of development. The placement of this particular plant and insect is a reminder to be good stewards as we explore, to take care of the amazing things that we find.



Support this mural project!

[Click here](#)

Support Art in Leander

Help the Leander Foundation bring art installations to our community with your tax-deductable donation. Choose a donor level and complete our interest form.

Yes! I want to donate to support art in Leander.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Artisan

Supporter

\$500+

- Name displayed on mural installation
- Recognition at mural ribbon cutting
- One Custom-designed "Support Art in Leander" T-shirt

Curator

Supporter

\$100

- Recognition at mural ribbon cutting
- One Custom-designed "Support Art in Leander" T-shirt

Workshop

Supporter

\$50

- One Custom-designed "Support Art in Leander" T-shirt

Apprentice

Supporter

\$1+

- All donors receive social media recognition for their support

About the Artist

Libby Bratt moved to Leander 6 years ago and has been enjoying being close to the city of Austin but not living in it. She enjoys hiking with her kids, playing with them at the nearby parks, and has loved using the kayak rental at Lakewood park! Libby has a passion for bright colors and bringing people together through art. You'll often find her working with repeating patterns coupled with a central theme—mixing geometry, text and life-like images to create a unique style.

[Facebook](#) [Link](#) [Instagram](#)



Interested in being an artist for our projects?

We're looking for artists for future mural and public art projects and we'd love to hear from you. Send us a message!

Name

Email

Message

Send



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
8/14/2024

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on Sub-Committee Terms.

BACKGROUND:

Chair Panzarino requested this item to be discussed on current assignments, roles and responsibilities and terms.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments:



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
8/14/2024

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on an expenditure up to \$1,000.00 for a plaque to be included on the Bill Pickett Sculpture.

BACKGROUND:

The RFP for Bill Pickett Sculpture will be going out soon, and LPACC would like a plaque to accompany it.

The plaque would read as follows and include LPAC and City Logo, and 2024-25 LPACC Commissioner Names. "In dedication to the pioneering spirit and unparalleled skill of Williams Bill Pickett, the trailblazing cowboy, rodeo champion, and inventor of bulldogging. His courage, resilience, and enduring legacy have inspired generations and embody the true essence of the American frontier. Unveiled this day, [Date], we celebrate his remarkable contributions to the world of rodeo and his role in shaping the rich tapestry of our shared history."

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

APPLICANT/AGENT:

RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments:



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
8/14/2024

AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on the Harriet Tubman Traveling Exhibition.

BACKGROUND:

A fierce advocate for abolition and women's rights — as well as the first woman to ever lead an armed military operation in the United States — Harriet Tubman is perhaps one of the most well-known figures in American history. This incredible person is widely perceived as an icon of absolute courage and her work fighting for the freedoms of African Americans will never be forgotten.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

Recommend seeking sponsorship for 50% of the cost. Recommend having a sculpture in Leander for Juneteenth 2025.

APPLICANT/AGENT:

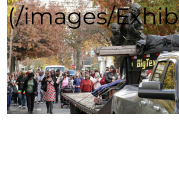
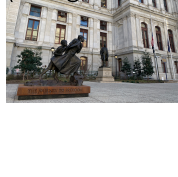
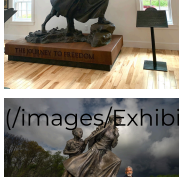
RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments:

1. Harriet Tubman - The Journey to Freedom - Wofford Sculpture Studio



READING THE SCULPTURE

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THE JOURNEY BEGINS

Harriet is confidently leading an enslaved girl on The Underground Railroad to freedom. She is leaning into the wind with her shoulder, chin down, and bracing herself against the elements. Her eyes are cut formidably up, anticipating the next part of the journey. The wind illustrates the peril of the journey but is also a metaphor for the intense opposition she faced.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on an increase from \$2,500.00 to \$5,000.00 in the approved Art Fest budget.

BACKGROUND:

Arts Fest 2024 will be held on October 12, 2024 in Lakewood Park. The Subcommittee and volunteers will be meeting in the next months to discuss and begin planning for the event. LPACC must vote on a budget for the event. The current budget for the event is \$2,500.00.

Budget: \$5000.00 (see attachment for a general breakdown of the budget)

Commissioners would also be seeking some sponsorships to supplement some of the costs for the event.

All members of LPACC are asked to brainstorm and submit ideas for Arts Fest in writing to Sammy Panzarino for discussion and consideration with the subcommittee.

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RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments:



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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AGENDA SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider action on art ideas for the Senior Activity Center.

BACKGROUND:

The new Leander Senior Activity Center is under construction currently on Municipal Drive. Per the City Ordinance, any capital improvement funds allocated for municipal buildings have funds dedicated towards Fund 75 and are to be earmarked for Art improvements to the facility.

HISTORY/TIMELINE:

Explore ideas for possible additions to the Senior Activity Center, RFP on a call for Art (lease or purchase) or post-construction installation.

APPLICANT/AGENT:

RECOMMENDATION:

PRESENTER:

Fiscal Impact

Attachments: