



**Town of Davidson
Davidson Public Art Commission Regular Meeting
Town Hall and Community Center
Community Room 120
251 South Street
Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

I. INTRO & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

II. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Placemaking Grant - Jason Burdette, Planning Director**
Summary:

III. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

- a. Minutes from July 31, 2024**
Summary:

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Art Park Feasibility Study - Carla Hanzel**
Summary: Carla will present the findings of the Art Park Feasibility Study. DPAC will review the report and discuss options.
- b. Davidson Veterans Monument Update**
Summary: Fundraising efforts have raised \$170,000. The Davidson Lions Club presented a check for \$13,000 to the Veterans Committee at the Town Board meeting on 9/24/24. Jay Sifford is developing a landscape plan for DPAC to review. The budget for the site plan, sculpture base, and landscaping is \$100,000 making the total project budget \$200,000.
- c. 251 Public Plaza Update**
Summary: The project scope has been revised based on feedback from DPAC and the donors. It will now focus on the window seating area, a front bench area, and an artistic pavement treatment that ties in the front corner of the building to the space.
- d. Cats About Town Update**
Summary: Mardee and Stan will present the results of the naming contest and discussion on installation.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Bouquet for Davidson - Moving process

Summary: DPAC voted at the last meeting to move the "Bouquet for Davidson" to make room for the Veterans Monument. The Town has requested that the proposed Tom Clark project pay for the movement of this sculpture. Discussion on timing and alternate plans if development project doesn't move forward.

VI. NEXT MEETING

a. Nov. 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in room 134. Please note the room change.

Summary:

Davidson Public Art Commission Meeting Minutes – July 31, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

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Those in attendance: Fleming, Nelson, Cable, Woodward, Szostek, Deihl, Churchill, Newman, Montague, Williams via zoom

Deihl made motion to approve, Cable second, all approved prior meeting minutes.

Laurel Hotzapple (via zoom) presented her proposal for the 251 Public Plaza. Members made comments and asked questions. Important items to keep in mind: light pollution at night, benches need to be for sitting not just decorative, collection of dust, easy to keep clean, metal will be hot in the summer, need lots of shade. Fleming will send presentation to DPAC and donors and ask for feedback to provide to Laurel.

Woodward provided an update on Cats About Town that included a process for naming the cats. She'll send a spreadsheet to all members to vote on potential names. Woodward will meet with potential installer from the College to determine the best way to install the cats.

Fleming provided an update on the Veterans fundraising, \$121,000 to date. Douwe is working on the sculpture. DPAC needs to provide a landscaping plan for the area. Woodward has a contact that she thinks would be interested in the project. There is a consensus that "A Bouquet for Davidson" needs to be moved so that the Veterans Monument can be centered in the plaza. Churchill made the motion, Szostek second, all approved motion to move "A Bouquet for Davidson" from its current position in Nancy McCormack Plaza (in front of the Post Office) to an alternate location. DPAC will retain the right to decide where the new location will be.