

Minutes of the Bellaire Cultural Arts Board (BCAB) Meeting

February 10, 2016

I. Action Item:

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Chair Terry Leavitt-Chavez with a quorum.

Board members present: Terry Leavitt-Chavez, Jennifer Hawes, Andy Williamson, Lisa Risoli, Jacquelyn Quick.

Others present: Michael Fife, City Council Liaison; Diane White - Asst. City Manager, Staff Liaison; Cheryl Bright, Asst. Parks, Recreation and Facilities Director; Pat McLaughlan, City Councilman, Position 4; Brant Gary, Public Works Director.

Board members absent: Jane Williams, Anita Mehta

II. Action Item:

Adoption of Minutes - Last month's minutes were approved (motion proposed by Jacquelyn Quick and seconded by Lisa Risoli and the Board approved unanimously).

III. Forum for Public Comments: None

IV. Business Items:

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION ON

- **A. Newcastle Pilot Street Light Program with Centerpoint Energy;** Chair – Terry Leavitt-Chavez introduced Brant Gary who gave a brief power-point presentation. He explained that the City / Council would like BCAB's opinion on the style of LED lighting which is proposed on a stretch of Newcastle St, including lighting on the recently completed "trail". This relates to our work on "branding" as ultimately, consistent lighting design could be incorporated across the whole of the City.....both on major streets and within the neighborhoods. This would occur over a period of time and Mr. Gary briefly explained to us the arrangement the City has with Centerpoint Energy whereby they procure, install and maintain [new] lighting within the City [up to a certain cost limit]. At length, the Board voted on six "styles" of lamp characterized as described and ranked in the following order of preference 1) tear-drop, 2) acorn, 3) Victorian, 4) pendant 5) lantern - traditional and 6) lantern - modern.
- **B. Brand Identity;** Chair - Terry Leavitt-Chavez deferred to next meeting to cover next item before quorum was lost.
- **C. Utility Box follow up and Expansion** – Terry Leavitt-Chavez mentioned that she had met with Metro a second time and they had agreed to go ahead with painting the utility box on their site at the bus terminal on Bellaire Blvd. They will likely bear the cost. Terry Leavitt-Chavez provided some renderings offered by the artist and BCAB voted on the preferred design. At length the Board approved a design that featured a colorful blue jay and red cardinal against a wooded / garden backdrop.
- **D. Artwork Inventory** – Deferred due to lack of quorum.

V. New Business / March Agenda Items

- Brand Identity
- Artwork Inventory

VI. Comments from Board Members

- None

VII. Adjournment - Motion to close due to lack of quorum (Jacquelyn Quick), seconded (Andy Williamson) and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andy Williamson

Next Meeting: March 9, 2016