



SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

General Services Department

Board Members Present

Margaret DeMott*
Dan Ellison
Valerie Gillespie*
Tom Jaynes

Angela Lee
Chris Ogden*
Cynthia Penn-Halal

Lou Rollins, Chair
Candis W. Smith
Rachel Wexler
** Public Art Committee member*

Guests Present

Sherry DeVries, DAC

Nancy Trovillion, NCAC

Leigh Ann Wilder, NCAC

City of Durham Staff and Representatives Present

Jillian Johnson, City Council
Stacey Poston, GSD

Cason Whitcomb, GSD

I. Call to Order

3:23pm

II. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: To approve 9/26/18 meeting summary minutes.

(Ellison, Gillispie 2nd)

ACTION: Motion approved. (11-0)

III. Adjustments to the Agenda

None.

IV. Announcements and Presentations

- i. North Carolina SmART Initiative, North Carolina Arts Council
The [North Carolina Arts Council](#) presented the North Carolina and [Durham SmART Initiative](#) to the Cultural Advisory Board. SmART Cities and Towns is a grant program led by the NC Arts Council that began in 2012 to work with communities



across the state to create and facilitate the actualization of vision plans that transform the community. The primary focus of the grant program is on sustainable economic development fueled through cultural and artistic development. Mikyoung Kim was commissioned in 2012 to create the Durham SmART Vision Plan, which defined the potential for a cultural quilt along the “SmART Corridor” of Blackwell/Corcoran Street. In 2017, Olekan Jeyfous was selected to design and install artistic banners along the Corcoran Street Garage. To learn more about the Durham SmART Initiative please visit:

<https://www.smartdurham.org/new-page/>.

Alongside Durham, The SmART Initiative has been working with Wilson, Kinston, and Burnsville. Lumberton, Greensville, Marshall, and Morganton will all be added to the initiative this year. For more information about the projects in each of these cities and towns please visit: <https://www.ncarts.org/economic-development/smart-initiative>

ii. Miracle League Ballpark

The Miracle League Ballpark will open spring 2018 and will consist of an ADA accessible ballpark designated for the Miracle League and walking track around the perimeter of the park. The American Tobacco Trailhead opens to Miracle League Ballpark. Durham Parks and Recreation is working on designing and installing an outdoor exercise equipment park at the trailhead.

V. New Business

i. Projects and Funding

Stacey Poston explained the found funding options for the Cultural and Public Art Program: Capital Improvement Project (direct line item for Cultural and Public Arts Program), Capital Improvement Projects (up to 1% of all CIP projects), Department funds, grants, private sponsorships, and federal funding. Council member Jillian Johnson discussed the upcoming participatory budgeting. Community members will be asked to submit ideas in October and November for projects they want to see in their neighborhoods. Some of these projects will then be developed. There is 2.4 million dollars available with \$800k allocated per ward. For more information please visit the Participatory Budgeting page on the City’s website: <https://durhamnc.gov/3747/Participatory-Budgeting>.

ii. December 2018 CAB Retreat



The Cultural Advisory Board will meet on 12/10/18 for a half-day retreat at the General Services Department. The CAB will be examining the current cultural master plan, the Durham Sustainability Plan, City Strategic Plan, and the Durham SmART Vision Plan. The goal of the retreat is to define focused goals for the Cultural Advisory Board.

VI. Updates/Old Business

i. Sesquicentennial Committee Report

Janine Cargo has been hired as the Sesquicentennial project manager. The opening ceremony is set to take place 04/13/19. An RFP has been issued for a company to produce the opening ceremony.

ii. Public Art Sub-Committee Report

Whipporwill Park continues to be in conversation, as the City team coordinates with neighborhood desires and the project schedule. The PAC passed a motion to support postponing any more programming around the FENCE: Durham 2018 until the spring of 2019. The PAC then spent time brainstorming goals of four potential task forces: Capacity Building for Local Artists, Community Engagement, Communication, Outreach, Advocacy, and Project Cultivation, and Public Art Committee Governance. Task force teams will report out at the upcoming public art committee meeting. The Public Art committee will attend a retreat in January 2019. There will be a Durham Public Art Bike Tour lead by Black Folks on Bikes on Sunday 10/21/19.

VII. Adjournment

5:01 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cason Whitcomb