Meeting Notice
Visual Arts Commission
Thursday, September 12, 2013
4:00 – 6:00 pm

Cedar Rapids City Hall – Blairs Ferry Conference Room (Lower Level)
101 First Street SE, Cedar Rapids IA 52401

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Agenda

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes, July 11, 2013 and June 13, 2013
   A motion was made by Knierim, seconded by Londquist, to approve the June 13 minutes, with unanimous approval.
   The July minutes were tabled to the October Meeting.

2. CR Talks (Megan Murphy)
   Megan was unable to attend the meeting. Seth Gunnerson, of Community Development Staff, provided an overview of CRTalks.com, which a new online engagement tool.

3. Central Fire Department Sculpture Update
   Staff has continued to work with a Fire Department and citizen group on a potential sculpture on the corner of 7th Street and 1st Avenue SE at the site of the new fire station. Planning for the project is on hold until after the Fire Department Open House, which will be October 8.

4. Work Plan Discussion
   A discussion was held on the VAC work plan.
   - A key goal for 2014 will be identifying someone to manage the existing collection.
     - Conservation Plan
- Maintain accurate and accessible records
  - The Ignite Event will not be held in 2014
  - Other projects discussed included community outreach and education
    - Developing art tours downtown. The discussion focused on either printing flyers or developing an online tour. Staff brought up that signs could be purchased and placed downtown to alert people of the availability of online tours.
    - Updated photography, including new art in the collection.
    - Changing the format of the work plan to flow better and be easier to understand

5. **Announcements / Items for Next Meeting**

- The Greene Square Park redevelopment is anticipated to occur at the end of 2014. Private donations are being solicited for the project. It is anticipated Sky Blade will be relocated and a new feature sculpture will be included in the project.
- Staff will work with Matt Felling of Hilton on relocating paintings in the US Cellular Center Atrium

6. **Adjournment**

At 5:39 pm a motion was made by Knierim, seconded by Ocken, to adjourn the meeting.

*Next Meeting: October 10, 2013*