The Citizens’ Community Enhancement Commission (CCEC) held a regular meeting on June 17, 2019, in the Executive Conference Room of the DeKalb Municipal Building, 200 South Fourth Street, DeKalb, Illinois.

Chair Brad Hoey called the meeting to order at 4:18 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

Roll call was recorded by Management Analyst Jason Blumenthal and the following members of the CCEC were present: Chair Brad Hoey, Ellingsworth Webb, Brad Pietens, and Susan Johnson. Members absent at roll call were: Melissa Beck, Jeanine Holcomb, and Deborah Booth.

Also present was Management Analyst Jason Blumenthal

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

MOTION

Mr. Pietens moved to amend the agenda to place public participation ahead of approval of minutes; seconded by Ms. Johnson.

VOTE

Motion carried by a majority voice vote of those present.

MOTION

Mr. Webb moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Ms. Johnson.

VOTE

Motion carried by a majority voice vote of those present.

C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Dean Paul Kassel of the College of Visual Arts and Performing Arts at Northern Illinois University (NIU) was in attendance to discuss new initiatives taking place in the department. Mr. Kassel indicated that the student art fee was being increased which would allow NIU to bring artists to the Egyptian Theatre. This partnership should continue to expand the art scene throughout DeKalb.
D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION

Ms. Johnson moved to approve the CCEC minutes of May 20, 2019; seconded by Mr. Pietens.

VOTE

Motion carried by a majority voice vote of those present.

E. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to be discussed.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Paint-A-Plug Approvals/Discussion on Event

Management Analyst Blumenthal presented four new applications for the Commission to review and obtain their approval. In addition, Mr. Pietens presented three applications from the DeKalb Public Library that amended their previous submissions.

MOTION

Mr. Pietens moved to approval all the submitted applications; seconded by Mr. Webb.

VOTE

Motion carried by a majority voice vote of those present.

The conversation continued into possibly hosting a kick-off event or a meeting where potential painters can learn some tips or tricks to complete a paint-a-plug.

2. Public Arts Projects

Discussion was held regarding the draft policy on Public Art that was presented to the Commission in August 2018. Mr. Kassel had public comment on this item and indicated he would like to see a few less restrictions by not limiting this policy to just murals. The Commission members had consensus on this and agreed. Commission members were requested to submit any additional edits to Management Analyst Blumenthal before the next scheduled meeting. This policy will be presented at that meeting to be voted on for recommendation to Council.
G. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Ms. Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Webb.

VOTE

Motion carried by a majority voice vote of those present. The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Blumenthal, Management Analyst

Minutes approved by the Citizens’ Community Enhancement Commission on July 15, 2019.