

# City of Pompano Beach Public Art Underwater Reef Sculpture Round 2 Subcommittee

## Virtual Zoom Conference/Webinar April 13, 2021

#### **Minutes**

#### A. Call to Order

Meeting commenced at 4:03 P.M

#### B. Roll Call

Tobi Aycock Rob Wyre

Kelly Ann Maguire Jeff Torode (Excused Absence)

Marie Goodrum Johnson

#### Others in Attendance

Laura Atria, Public Art Program Manager Natasha Telsaint, Office Assistant II Tyler FuQua, Artist Angel Rovira, Program Director for Broward County's Natural Resources Division Marie Puleo, Pompano Magazine

### C. Public Recording Announcement

This Public Art Committee Meeting is taking place virtually. The meeting will be recorded for public record.

#### D. Underwater Reef Sculpture Artist Proposal Discussion with Tyler FuQua

Mr. FuQua presented his design proposal entitled Mechan H20.

The sculpture will stand about six (6) feet tall.

- The art piece will be an underwater explorer with an old school diving helmet and an air tank.
- It will be made out of a quarter inch thick steel with stainless steel accents.
- Helmet, shoulder, hips, elbows, and knees will be hollow to allow creatures to live and explore.
- It will stand on a thick gear, safe steel plate for stability.

Mr. FuQua stated the *Mechan H20* is not coated with anything since it's going underwater he did not want to put any chemicals on it; therefore, rusting may happen when it installed at the beach.

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Mr. FuQua estimates fabrication to take about two (2) months.

The grand total of the project is \$35,000.

Mr. Angel stated the base plate needs to be secured so that the sculpture does not break in half under water and to make the base plate as wide as possible. He also suggested adding a bar to the sculpture before deployment to enforce the sculpture.

Mr. Angel advised the artist not use any chemicals and avoid using brass, bronze, and copper because it goes against creating habitat.

Mr. FuQua stated he will place a trident on the sculpture to help enforce the sculpture.

The sculpture will not have any sharp edges.

Mr. Angel stated the sculpture is turtle proof.

Ms. Maguire would like the Subcommittee to be part of the placement/location of the sculpture on *Lady Luck*.

Ms. Aycock replied it should not be a problem to be part of the curating process.

Ms. Maguire stated she would like to be part of the marketing plan.



A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Goodrum Johnson approving the design with the trident and that the committee be part of the location and marketing process. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Maguire. Motion passed unanimously.

- H. Next Meeting
- I. Discussion
- J. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:38 P.M.

NEXT MEETING TBD ZOOM Webinar