



ARTS & GARDEN BOARD

Arts & Garden Board Minutes - DRAFT Meeting October 16, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

Board members present: Pam Haxton, Elaine Horowitz, Deborah Hecht

City representatives: Amy Hood, Tara Pieron

Approval of minutes: No minutes taken at September meeting

Program updates:

Statue Park: members discussed tasks that will be needed in 2020 to complete renovation of the park. Pam Haxton has plans to add more plant material around the fountain. Deborah Hecht suggested adding ground cover in the area around the memorial Japanese maple. Amy Hood will find out from the Finance Department how much of the donated funds remain for plants and other purchases. The preservation of the fountain was discussed at length. Tara Pieron will speak to the DPW director about ideas for winterizing the fountain.

Written thanks to known donors have been handled by Amy Hood. Amy will write to the clubs and groups that have not received notes yet. We discussed expressing appreciation to the DPW and to the Parks department for their ongoing support.

Daff-A-Palooza:

The daffodil bulb orders were fulfilled. Some were sold at the Rec Center's Fall Festival, most were pre-orders, and any remaining bulbs were purchased by Parks & Rec for a mass planting.

Scarecrow Contest

Tara has produced a poster to advertise the contest, and the city has posted on NextDoor and Facebook. The city manager has included the contest in her weekly e-blast. On the last day of

the contest, Amy and Tara will verify the placement of scarecrows, and Tara will create a ballot. The voting will end at close of business of 10/31 and a winner notified shortly thereafter.

Public Participation

There was no public participation

Other Business

Amy brought up the need for maintenance of the rain garden at Statue Park. It will need weeding and maintenance of mulch, especially until plants mature. Pam Haxton will see if there are any potential Adopt-A-Garden candidates to take on this responsibility.

The traditional December potluck, for the combined Arts & Garden and Environmental Advisory Committee, was discussed. Amy will bring up the topic at the EAC meeting on October 17, to see if there is mutual interest and a potential host for the gathering.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm