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## **WORK SESSION MINUTES**

A work session of the Kirkwood City Council was held on April 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 S. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, Missouri. Present were Mayor Griffin, Council Members Duwe, Gibbons, Luetzow, Sears, Ward, and Zimmer. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer David Weidler City Attorney John Hessel, City Clerk Laurie Asche, and Deputy City Clerk Bridget Waters.

### **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 6, 2023 & APRIL 13, 2023 WORK SESSION MINUTES**

Motion was made by Council Member Zimmer and seconded by Council Member Duwe to approve the April 6, 2023 Special Work Session minutes and the April 13, 2023 Work Session minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **ARTS COMMISSION SCULPTURE**

Zoe Perkins, Chair of Kirkwood Arts Commission, presented information about proposed art sculptures to the Council. Some of the information presented is as follows:

The Art Commission would like to propose an art sculpture at the Kirkwood Performing Arts Center at the back entrance located on East Monroe Ave. This entrance has the most foot traffic and having a sculpture at this entrance will draw more attention to this end of the building.

The Arts Commission is also proposing to replace the Kiss Sculpture to the west of the Farmers' Market with the Masayuki Nagare (Bachi 1999) sculpture. Currently the Masayuki Nagare sculpture is located at the UMSL campus and is owned by the Gateway Foundation. The Arts Commission recommends that the location east from the Kirkwood Train Station is a perfect fit for this size sculpture. The sculpture is 258" tall and made of corten steel and granite. The Kiss Sculpture would be moved to the Kirkwood Lions Amphitheater.

The Arts Commission recommends using the Gateway Foundation to provide the sculpture. The Gateway Foundation collects and offers long term lease agreements for their sculptures. They pay for moving, installation, and maintenance of the sculpture. The City of Kirkwood would have to provide lighting around the sculpture.

A discussion took place about moving the Kiss sculpture and adding two new sculptures for the Gateway Foundation.

Motion was made by Council Member Zimmer and seconded by Council Member Duwe to authorize a letter of support from the Mayor and City Council to have the Gateway Foundation donate the Masayuki Nagare (Bachi 1999) sculpture to the Kirkwood Arts Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further matters to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned.

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Laurie Asche  
City Clerk