



Memorandum

To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Patty McKenny, Town Clerk

Date: November 1, 2016

Subject: Interview and Appointment to Art in Public Places (AIPP)

I. SUMMARY

Town Council will consider four persons for one mid-cycle vacancy on the AIPP Board. There will be an opportunity to interview two applicants during the November 1st afternoon meeting; the formal appointment is scheduled for the evening meeting. Ms. Gilmartin is out of town at this time; but would be available for an interview on Nov 15. Ms. Rogers is not able to attend on either Nov 1 or Nov 15 because she is out of town. If interviews are required, the appointment would be postponed to a later date. The term of this appointment ends March 2017. A vacancy exists with the recent departure of Amanda Zinn who is now a town employee heading up the Welcome Center. The Charter outlines the restrictions for employees not serving on boards or commissions. There will be two vacancies on the AIPP board to be filled next March. The Board meets on the first Monday of each month.

Town of Vail Charter - Section 8.2 - Composition of Boards And Commissions:

The composition of all existing permanent boards and commissions and those hereafter established shall be such that: no town employee shall be allowed to serve; neither the mayor nor any councilmember shall serve on any board or commission. Terms and conditions of appointment to such boards and commissions shall be determined by ordinance. (Charter amd. 11-6-2012: 1972 Charter)

The applicants for the **Art in Public Places Board (AIPP)** are listed below; the applicants have met the requirements of either residency and/or property ownership within the Town of Vail.

1. Susan Bristol
2. Travis Coggin
3. Heather Gilmartin (unable to interview on Nov. 1)
4. Margaret Rogers (unable to interview on Nov. 1)

II. BACKGROUND

Duties and functions of the Art in Public Places Board include:

- Implementation of the AIPP policies and selection procedures.
- Acquiring public art by purchase, donation or other means for Vail's permanent Art in Public Places collection.
- Overseeing the maintenance and preservation of art works displayed in public areas.
- Assisting the Art in Public Places coordinator in obtaining grants and donations to fund public art projects.
- Promoting public art through a public education program that will further community appreciation and understanding of the visual arts.
- Publicizing Art in Public Places projects and recognizing the artist(s) involved with the project.
- Evaluating the Art in Public Places program and commitment of board members annually and setting program goals on a five year basis.

The current make up of the AIPP Board include:

Members	Term Expires
Patricia Donovan	2018
Julie Hansen	2018
Michael Kurz	2017
Nancy Lassetter	2018
Kara Woods	2018
Bill Pierce	2018
Vacancy from Amanda Zinn	2017

Possible interview questions include the following:

- ✓ What interested you in applying for the AIPP Board membership?
- ✓ What qualities and experience can you bring to the AIPP board and programs?
- ✓ Why is public art important to the Vail community?
- ✓ Are you able to provide recommendations for AIPP's creative programming?
- ✓ Along with the monthly meetings, AIPP sponsors several programs throughout the year. Are you able to make the necessary time commitment attend monthly meetings, participate in programs, and help to promote AIPP within the community?

The letters of interest are attached and the position vacancy was advertised with a public notice in the Vail Daily and posted on the Town of Vail website the past couple of weeks.

Patty McKenny

From: Susan Bristol <susan.bristol@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 2:50 PM
To: Patty McKenny
Subject: Application for Art in Public Places Board

I hope that my experience and new availability will be of interest to the Town Council and the APP Board.

I've been a Vail resident since 1970 when I moved here to do Public Relations for the Vail Resort Association. (I designed and silkscreened Vail's flag.) Next I worked with Bob Parker at Vail Associates as Media Consultant. I created a photography and brochure business in Vail, doing work for many of the businesses in Vail over 15 years. When my son was old enough, I worked at The Golden Bear, doing sales, custom design and display for 19 years. I subsequently started my own business, importing fine Chinese antiques and curating a wonderful collection of one-of-a-kind jewelry and gifts.

Since coming to Vail, I have also written successful 40-page submissions for over 45 architects when they have been nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. My earliest one was for Fritz Benedict in Aspen and I'm just completing this year's, also for an Aspen architect. I've been recognized by the AIA with an Honorary Membership based on this work.

Prior to moving to Vail and after graduating from Connecticut College for Women in German Language and Literature, I worked as Public Relations Assistant to The Principals (one of whom was Walter Gropius, founder of the Bauhaus in Germany) at The Architects Collaborative in Cambridge, MA. I worked closely with Gropius, researching and designing an exhibit of his life's work with him and handling correspondence with foreign and domestic publications. While in Boston I was also on the Outdoor Arts Committee for the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln, MA.

I raised my son Alex Herzog in Vail. He is now a painter who has been on the faculty at the School of the Art Institute in Chicago for a decade and is currently installing a solo show of his new work at Geary Contemporary in New York.

I've wanted to volunteer for the APP Board for years but have had the responsibility of my store - Asian Village in Riverwalk-Edwards. I just retired after 15 great years! I now can meet on Mondays!

I own a house here in Vail (since 1972, thank goodness) and don't plan on leaving any time soon.

I hope you all will consider my interest in Vail and its arts.

Sincerely,
Susan Bristol, Hon AIA
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susan.bristol@gmail.com

Mr. Mayor & Town Council
Attn: Patty McKenny, Town Clerk
Town of Vail
75 S. Frontage Road
Vail, CO 81657

RE: Art In Public Places Board

Dear Mr. Mayor & Town Council Members,

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Art In Public Places Board for the Town of Vail. I am a long time resident of Vail, having first moved here in 1988. I currently live in Sandstone where I have owned my condo unit for the past two years. While I don't have a formal background in art, it is something that I am extremely interested in and am keen to learn more about.

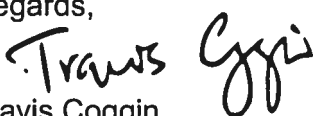
I have experienced the benefits of public art through my work in real estate as well as my travels in the US and abroad. I have been involved in real estate and land planning since 2008 having worked for the Community Development department at the City of Aspen and most recently in real estate development for Triumph Development. In these positions, I was exposed to the opportunity that communities have to engage more deeply with locals and visitors through public art as well as the ability public art has to enhance the community around it.

As I have traveled, I have often noticed how public art enhances a community encouraging me to learn more about a city or an artist, as well as provides easily recognizable way finding markers and conversation pieces. I believe a strong public art program augments the built and natural environments that we have in Vail and adds an additional cultural dimension to our community.

Finally, I have been looking for a way to become more involved with the Town of Vail and believe this is a great volunteer opportunity. I am currently the president of the Vail Valley Young Professionals Association, which provides a great volunteer opportunity for me throughout the valley, however, I want to engage more with the Town and this provides an avenue to do that.

Thank you for your time. I am excited about his board position and I look forward to speaking with you about AIPP.

Regards,


Travis Coggin

Patty McKenny

From: Heather Gilmartin <heathergilmartin@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2016 2:43 PM
To: Patty McKenny
Subject: Art in Public Places Program - Open Seat
Attachments: Heather Gilmartin_CV_sept 28_16v.doc

October 20, 2016

Molly Eppard
Town of Vail's Art in Public Places Program

Dear Ms. Eppard,

I was encouraged to apply for the Town of Vail's Art in Public Places Program (AIPP) by my neighbor, Kara Woods. I have been a resident of Vail since 1996 and homeowner since 2004. This will be my first application for a Town of Vail committee.

My interest in a position on AIPP is due to my love of the art that is throughout Vail. From the skier statue, to the rotating pieces in Ford Park, to the new paintings in the skate park, I am always pleased to run across such beautiful work in my own backyard.

I work as a research nurse scientist with the Veterans Health Administration. My work is focused on learning how organizational culture impacts patient care and patient outcomes. Though I have no training in art or design, I have had the great fortune of visiting museums and galleries around the world. Due to this, I have gained an appreciation for the role of art in communities.

I have attached my curriculum vitae as evidence of my lack of experience in the art world, but my extensive experience in other things.

It would be an honor to be part of the AIPP program and I look forward to the opportunity to learn more.

Sincerely,

Heather Gilmartin

Heather M. Gilmartin, PhD, NP

Patty McKenny

From: Margaret Rogers <iliveinvail@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2016 8:57 AM
To: Patty McKenny
Subject: Application for AIPP vacancy

To the Town Council,

Please accept my application for the vacancy to the Art in Public Places board.

Although I have attended AIPP board meetings for more than 11 years, first as the representative of the DRB, then as the town council representative, I have never been a voting member of the board. During that time I have assisted the board to develop and grow, bringing public art programs, exhibits and installations which enhance our community and delight our guests. I understand the importance of public art to the economy and experience of Vail. I have seen which programs work, and which could have been more successful. I have a lifelong passion for art and architecture, a commitment to the community and a desire to continue my service to Vail. I understand that this position is to fill a mid-term vacancy. Because I have been involved with the board for many years, I will hit the ground running, with a minimal learning curve.

I regret that I will be out of town on November 1, and will not be able to attend the interview at the council work session. However, I hope that my experience and passion for Vail will persuade you that I am the right person for this position. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me. 970-470-2773.

Thank you,

Margaret Rogers

Patty McKenny

From: Julie Hansen <jhansen@sprynet.com>
Sent: Monday, October 24, 2016 11:07 AM
To: Patty McKenny
Subject: RE: Application for AIPP vacancy

Hello Patty:

If possible, I would like to include my recommendation to the town council that Margaret Rogers be appointed to the Art in Public Places Board (AIPP.)

When I was first appointed to the AIPP Board, Margaret was attending the AIPP meetings regularly and had been doing so for several years; I found Margaret to be extremely passionate, dedicated and knowledgeable about the arts and particularly public art. I believe Margaret Rogers would be an excellent addition to our board and that her commitment to the arts and to our community is real.

I understand that Margaret is traveling during the council's November 1 meeting and I hope her absence will not affect her appointment.

Thank you for all of the support the council has given AIPP in the past and we look forward to working with council in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Hansen, AIPP Chair
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