



**CITY OF ALLEGAN
PUBLIC SPACES COMMISSION**

**City of Allegan City Hall
231 Trowbridge Street, Allegan MI 49010
Wednesday, July 12, 2020 6:30pm**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

2. Attendance

Present: Landria Christman, Teresa Galloway, Korree Johnson, Paula Mintek, Cyndi Reed, Pete Savage (6:35pm)

Absent: Rosie Hunter, Judi McCall

Others Present: Joel Dye, City Manager, Parker Johnson, Promotions Coordinator, Tony McGhee, Abonmarche, Jeff Morrie, Interim Department of Public Works Director

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from March 11, 2020, by Landria, supported by Teresa. Motion carried 6-0.

4. Public Comment

5. Discussion

5A.1 – Review Downtown Streetscape Plan

Tony McGhee from Abonmarche introduced the group to the reconstruction of the Cutler Street parking lot, the first project of the Downtown Streetscape Plan. Tony shared City Council's thoughts and took notes from this board in order to complete an initial concept. Some thoughts included:

- Reducing entries/exits
- Better Definition/Fencing/Landscaping
- Bicycle Racks

5A.2 – Review DDA Mural Grant Program

Landria Christman, DDA liaison to the Public Spaces Commission, provided the group insight on the Downtown Development Authority’s new Mural Grant Program to incentivize public art in Downtown Allegan. It was noted that a business/building owner’s property taxes should be current as a requirement to be considered.

6. DDA Member/Staff Comments

Pete Savage asked about the timeline for hiring a new DPW Director. He also wanted to know “is the City of Allegan still doing code enforcement” because of an excess of seemingly abandoned cars across the street from his house.

Cyndi Reed inquired about a parks tour this year – Joel Dye responded that a safer tour experience would be in the works, given the current health crisis.

Paula Mintek asked about an update on Oakwood Cemetery. A Public Spaces agenda topic for the cemetery will be provided at a later meeting.

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.