

Spokane Flag Commission

January 26, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:14pm.

Commission Briefing Session:

A. Roll Call:

- a. Commission Members present: Josh Hiler, Andrew Whitver, Corey Marcoux, Mark Carlos proxy for Councilmember Betsy Wilkerson, Lara Estaris proxy for Councilmember Kate Burke, Scyla Dowd
- b. Commission Members absent: Matt Budke, Max Nesbitt, Jeff Ferguson, John Mujica
- c. Quorum: Yes

Commission Business

Josh Hiler and Corey Marcoux presented two options for counting the commissioners' run-off votes for the 9 remaining finalist positions.

Mr. Marcoux' voting system was selected by a coin toss conducted by Mark Carlos.

Following the counting of votes, the finalists are (numbers from randomized Top 100 pdf): 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 15, 32, 55, 64, 93, 95, 97, 98

Mr. Hiler proposed design 93 be mirrored. Discussion occurred on if the Commission's standing rules permitted this. It was agreed the Commission has the power to change the finalist designs based on the process approved at the July 16th 2020 meeting. It was decided that modified finalists will be returned to the original artists for approval, and if the original artist declines the modification that the commission may retract that flag from consideration

Motion to request design 93 be mirrored horizontally moved by CM Wilkerson, Seconded by Mr. Hiler, passed unanimously.

Mr. Marcoux offered for consideration that #5's design is too complex. Discussion occurred on how to propose to the artist to simplify it.

The following description of modifications to be made was advanced by Mr. Hiler: "simplify the design of the petals and the scales on the fish, the committee believes the design has too much detail and we would appreciate if the artist could submit a slightly more simple design for consideration"

The description of the modification to #5 was moved for approval by Mr. Hiler and seconded by Mr. Marcoux. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Marcoux noted that he feels like the design for flag #2 could use revision. Ms. Estaris proposed that the tree be tapered (wider at the bottom) and only go to the center of the sun, and it be mirrored

horizontally. CM Wilkerson moved that these modifications be approved, seconded by Mr. Marcoux. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hiler requested that he be granted the power as Chair to propose redesigns on #2, 5, 93 to their respective artists without further input from the committee. A motion to approve was moved by Mr. Marcoux and seconded by CM Wilkerson. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Estaris suggested that design #11 be modified, by making the circle around the central design thinner by enlarging the artwork in the center until the circle was half its original width. This redesign and adding design #11 to the designs the Chair was authorized to modify without further input was moved by Mr. Marcoux and seconded by CM Wilkerson. Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Hiler moved that the 13 finalists, pending redesigns and artist signature of the appropriate legal release forms, be sent to City Council. Seconded by Mr. Marcoux. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Items:

No new business.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:58pm.

The next Spokane Flag Commission meeting is scheduled for **2:00pm** on **February 12, 2021**.