

**DONATION REVIEW COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
APRIL 25, 2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Donna Peterman, Chairman  
Bradford Gamblin, Janet Watermeier

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Theresa Murtha

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mitchell Austin, Urban Design Planner  
Sushila Cherian

**CALL TO ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Roll Call
- B. Next Scheduled Meeting
- 1. July 25, 2019

**CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

- None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. April 26, 2018
- Mr. Gamblin MOVED, Ms. Watermeier SECONDED approval of the April 26, 2018, minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Deed of Gift - Helen Shirley - Bronze Dedication Plaque
- Mr. Mitchell Austin, Urban Design Planner, announced Ms. Helen Shirley, applicant, wished to donate a 1931 bronze dedication plaque for the Barron G. Collier Bridge for public display, as detailed in the agenda material, providing a brief history of the plaque, which Ms. Shirley recovered during the bridge's demolition. He concluded staff recommended acceptance of the plaque and exploration of appropriate display options, noting Laishley Park near the current Barron G. Collier Bridge would be ideal.
- Ms. Peterman confirmed if City Council accepted the donation, the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (Board) could provide recommendations regarding placement of the plaque and content of an interpretive historical marker. She noted the marker could be incorporated into the Board's Charlotte County Centennial Celebrations project.
- Mr. Gamblin MOVED, Ms. Watermeier SECONDED to recommend City Council accept the donation. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. Deed of Gift - Sushila Cherian - Limited Edition Painting and Print
- Mr. Austin announced Ms. Cherian wished to donate two framed, numbered prints of artwork by Mr. Neil Gatewood, as delineated in the agenda material. He stated City Staff did not have a recommendation.
  - Ms. Cherian noted she was in contact with the Punta Gorda Library, suggesting it may be a more appropriate location to display the paintings.
  - Mr. Gamblin questioned if Ms. Cherian was making a firm offer to the City or if she preferred to donate the paintings to the library.
  - Ms. Cherian expressed uncertainty at this time.
  - Mr. Austin recommended the item be continued to allow Ms. Cherian to determine which organization she wished to receive the paintings.
  - Discussion ensued with consensus of members to consider the donation in the future if Ms. Cherian decided the City should be the recipient.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

- A. Election of Vice Chair
- Consensus of members was to elect a Vice Chair at the July 25, 2019, meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting Adjourned: 10:30 a.m.

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Donna Peterman, Chairman

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Leah Pues, Recording Secretary