Nineteenth Amendment Centennial Committee July 9, 2019 Meeting

6:00-8:00 PM, Sophie Anastos Conference Room, City Hall, 2nd Floor, Cambridge, MA 02139

<u>Members present</u>: Sarah Burks, Barbara Berenson, Jane Kamensky, Marian Darlington Hope, Kimberly Sansoucy, Kim Bernstein

<u>Staff present</u>: Lisa Peterson (Deputy City Manager), Kathy Watkins (City Engineer), Lillian Hsu (Director of Public Art)

- Discussed potentially siting art at Joan Lorentz Park.
 - Lisa Peterson spoke to David Szlag, co-chair of the Joan Lorentz Park Committee, and
 Committee is invited to speak to the JLP Committee at its next meeting July 30, 2019 at 9:00 AM.
 - For July 30th meeting, Committee members and staff will speak about what the artwork could be and why JLP is a desirable site in line with 19th Amend. Committee's charge/mission.
 - Halvorson Design is also working on larger project for overall park enhancements/a planting plan.
 - o Committee and staff to prepare materials for presentation.
 - Include the council order with the Committee's charge; discuss why the site matters, importance to community and connection to Joan Lorentz.
 - o Tentative attendees: Lisa, Lillian, Jane.
 - At the Schlesinger Library, Jane has been working with a history teacher from Cambridge Rindge & Latin School who may be available to speak too.
 - Attendees at JLP meeting will report back to full committee at next regular meeting.
 - In addition to feedback from the Joan Lorentz Park Committee, siting will need review and approval from the Mid-Cambridge Neighborhood Conservation District Commission.
- Reviewed draft Request for Qualifications (RFQ)/call to artists and next steps.
 - Committee provided feedback on draft, adding historical details and context.
 - Will leave the three current siting options in the RFQ: Joan Lorentz Park/CPL, Cambridge Common, Tubman Square.
 - Will narrow to final site for the Request for Proposals (RFP).
 - o Sarah, Historical Commission, to provide images for Lillian to include in RFQ.
 - Committee would like to select 3-4 finalists from RFQ rather than limiting to 3 only.
 - RFQ to be released between 8/8 8/12 and re-sent after Labor Day because of vacation schedules; City will also engage in outreach to artists.
 - o Proposals developed in response to RFP will go onto the website for public review.
 - A feedback form will be added to website to garner public comment.
 - Lillian to update RFQ and circulate for final review.
- Reviewed draft minutes from June 2, 2019 meeting/site visit & June 4, 2019 meeting.
 - o Motion to approve June 2nd & June 4th minutes; approved unanimously.
- Next regular committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 6, 2019, 6:00-8:00 PM in the Sofie Room.
- Committee adjourned.