

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, July 25, 2011
Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall Committee Conference Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.

I. Call to Order Chairperson McGuire called the Meeting to Order at 6:20 p.m.

II. Phantom Art Gallery Opening

The Arts Commission opened a new gallery exhibit for artist Vinay Verma. His work will be on display until September 16, 2011.

III. Pledge of Allegiance Chairperson McGuire led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Anthony, Foulk, McGuire, Santos (left early 6:30pm) and Strauss (arrived late 6:15pm)

Commissioners Excused: Hays

City Staff Present: Staff Liaison, Renee Lorentzen Recording Secretary, Rosana Cacao

City Council Liaison Excused: Council Member Giordano

V. Seating of Alternates Alternate Gupta was seated for Commissioner Hays.

VI. Approval of Agenda MOTION to approve the agenda of July 25, 2011 as submitted.

M/S: Foulk/Santos Ayes: All

VII. Approval of Minutes MOTION to approve the minutes of May 23, 2011 as submitted.

M/S: Foulk/ Gupta Ayes: All

VIII. Public Forum Mayor Esteves thanked the commission for their hard work and encouraged them to not be discouraged by the budget and to continue with Public Art projects as planned.

VIX. Announcements/Correspondence

- Ms. Lorentzen announced that the “Rock Your Park” Teen Concert will be held on 7/26 at Cardoza Park at 6pm. The “Movies Night Out” movie will be held on 7/28 at Barbara Lee Senior Center at 7pm.

X. Old Business

1. Arts Outreach Calendar Update

Chairperson McGuire announced the MACG Fil-Am event on June 11 and presented the group of Certificate of Commendation for the Arts. San Kau Viet performance is scheduled for August 13 at Community Center.

2. Artist of the Year Award Update

Ms. Lorentzen provided a draft of the Arts Commission Artist of the Year nomination application and list of criteria for review. Chairperson McGuire inquired how applications will be previewed. Staff recommended working with the current sub-committee to preview received applications and report to the Commission with their recommendation for award. Staff also proposed a timeline for the calendar year 2012, with a suggested deadline nomination

applications to be received by November 4, 2011. Staff informed the Commission that she will take this information as a Report from the Arts Commission to City Council at a future meeting.

MOTION to approve the Artist of the Year Award application and provide update at an upcoming Council Meeting.

M/S: Foulk/Santos

Ayes: All

XI. New Business

1. Phantom Art Gallery Application Review

The Arts Commission juries art for two Phantom Art Gallery sites at the Community Center and the Library.

Ms. Lorentzen stated there is one artist, Edward Wolverton, to be reviewed tonight. The artist brought a sampling of his art pieces that he would like to display.

The artist showed his artwork to the Commission for their review, and said a few words about himself personally and professionally.

MOTION to approve Edward Wolverton to display his artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Foulk/Anthony

Ayes: All

2. MACG Grant Discussion

As part of the City of Milpitas' 2011-2012 Fiscal Year Budget, grant program monies are not available for award, however, artists and/or organizations are able to receive a grant of In-Kind Services which include Performance Space and staff assistance with marketing efforts.

After discussion, the Arts Commission approved 7 of the 9 grant applications as listed below, deny Artist grant application from Swapnajt Mitra and direct Artist grant applicant, Clara Ines Thomas to apply for another Phantom Art Gallery Exhibit.

The approved grant applications to receive In Kind Services are:

Calaveras Repertory Theatre
Fancy Dancers, Inc
Filipino American Association of Milpitas, Inc. (Fil-Am)
Golden Hills Art Association
Milpitas Alliance for the Arts
Milpitas Camera Club
San Jose Wind Symphony

MOTION to approve seven 2011-2012 MACG grant application, deny one from Swapnajt Mitra and refer one Clara Ines Thomas to the Phantom Art Gallery .

M/S: Foulk/Strauss

Ayes: All

XII. Liaison Reports

1. **City Council** Mayor Esteves reported that the State of California budget has passed which leaves County and City budgets and the status of RDA funds unclear. He also stated that by the end of August, this Commission should be fully seated with Commissioners and Alternates.

2. **Staff Report**

None

XIII. Future Agenda Items

- Google Calendar
- Artist of the Year

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting on September 26, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosana Cacao
Recording Secretary