

MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, January 25, 2016
Place of Meeting: City Hall Committee Conference Room 1st Floor

I. Call to Order Chairperson Strauss called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance Chairperson Strauss led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Driggers, Gill, Mathias, Phan and Strauss
Commissioners Absent: Hays, Foulk, McGuire , Roth, Shu, Santos and Tran
City Staff Present: Staff Liaison Jaime Chew, Recording Secretary Justin Yount
City Council Liaison: Council Member Giordano

IV. Seating of Alternates Commissioner Driggers

V. Approval of Agenda **MOTION** to approve the agenda of January 26, 2016 as submitted.
M/S: Gill/Phan Ayes: All

VI. Approval of Minutes **MOTION** to approve the minutes of November 16, 2015 as submitted.
M/S: Gill/Mathias Ayes: All

VII. Public Forum None

VIII. Announcements/Correspondence
None

IX. Old Business

1. Public Art Concepts for Public Storage on Watson Court – Staff Chew

Item will be on next meetings agenda due to artist being a “no show.”

2. 2016-2019 Public Art Master Plan Adjustment – Staff Chew

In line with City Council direction, staff recommended an additional project for the Sports Center to be added to the Master Plan. Also, the Commission agreed at staff’s request to increase the budget of Electrical Box Project to \$7,500.

Motion to approve amended version of Public Art Master Plan and forward to City Council for final approval.

M/S: Mathias/Driggers Ayes: All

X. New Business

1. Face the Race Presentation – Bernadette Cooper (GACCE)

Bernadette Cooper (GACCE) returned to present information regarding a possible Face the Race event to be held at one of our City facilities. This would be a gathering of artists and persons of different backgrounds to come together and create masks which represent their own stories, fears, cultural and self expressions, etc. Bernadette is requesting the following from commission: collaboration/partnership, endorsement, and space and/or area to hold an event. The commission

recommends staff to discuss with management to see if an on-going (2 month period) rental would be possible and if so, what the process would be to move forward.

2. Performing Arts Center Discussion – Staff Chew

Staff Chew provided clarification on the process that the Commission would need to follow in order to bring forward the idea for a new performing arts center in Milpitas. Chair Strauss and Commissioner Mathias will collaborate and draft letter to City Council expressing a desire to see a new performing arts center in Milpitas. Both commissioners agreed to have a final draft of the letter completed by the next commission meeting in March.

3. Chair and Vice Chair Elections – Staff Chew

The Commission elected Chair and Vice Chair to serve through December 2016.

Motion to re-elect Becky Strauss as Chair.

M/S: Phan/Mathias Ayes: All

Motion to elect Cyd Mathias as Vice Chair.

M/S: Strauss/Gill Ayes: All

X. Liaison Reports

1. City Council – Council Member Giordano gave updates on City Council meeting items.
2. Staff Report – Staff Chew announced her new position as Recreation Supervisor at the Barbara Lee Senior Center, as well as the GeoTour to take place in Milpitas. She also announced that Recreation is preparing for upcoming Summer 2016 programming.

XI. Future Agenda Items

1. Electrical Box Project

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm to the next scheduled meeting on March 28, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Yount
Recording Secretary