

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Public Art Committee (PAC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, April 26, 2010
Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Conference Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.

I. Call to Order Chairperson Navarro called the Meeting to Order at 7:06 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance Chairperson Navarro led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call Committee Members Present: Baker, Beran, Cherry, Foulk, Hays, McGuire, Navarro Santos, and Strauss

Committee Member excused: Ettinger, Voellger

City Staff Present: Acting Recreation Services Supervisor, Renee Lorentzen, Recording Secretary, Lisa Ciardella.

City Council Liaison Excused: Council Member Giordano.

IV. Seating of Alternates Commissioner Beran was seated.

V. Approval of Agenda MOTION to approve the agenda dated April 26, 2010 as submitted.

M/S: Foulk/McGuire Ayes: All

VI. Approval of Minutes MOTION to approve the minutes of March 22, 2010 as submitted.

M/S: Hays Cherry Ayes: All

VII. Public Forum None.

VIII. Announcements/Correspondence

Staff member Lorentzen announced that the summer Parks and Recreation Activity Guide is now available and we will begin accepting registration on May 1, 2010.

Chairperson Navarro thanked staff for the tour of the Milpitas Senior Center.

IX. Old Business

1. Senior Center Public Art - Benches

Staff member Lorentzen reported that the benches are on schedule and are about half completed.

2. Veterans Memorial Bench

The artist will look at the different medals of the branches to be included on the bench. The bench will be installed by Veteran's Day 2010.

X. New Business

1. Senior Center Interior Art Finalists

Staff member Lorentzen presented the Art selection finalists for the main entrance. The committee commented that the painting is a good representation of the people of Milpitas, except they would like to see someone included of East Indian decent. They would not like to see actual people of Milpitas. **MOTION** to recommend artist Adrian Litman's "Thriving Energy" with the corrected demographics.

M/S: Hays/Strauss

Ayes: All

For the area above and around the fireplace, the sub-committee chose a piece called "Garden Fantasy" by Adrian Litman.

MOTION to recommend artist Adrian Litman's "Garden Fantasy".

M/S: Hays/Foulk

Ayes: All

For the lobby wall adjacent to the fire place. The sub-committee chose a painting titled "Our View" of the Milpitas Hills while sitting at Sandy Wool Lake. The wood frame that it is in is the same wood as the book cases. The Committee would like to see more hills and less sky.

MOTION to recommend Joanie Popeo's "Our View" with the hills more prominent and less sky.

M/S: Foulk/Hays

For the Hallway leading to the Community Room, the sub-committee chose Adrian Littman's "Four Seasons". Committee member McGuire thought the painting was too abstract. The Committee discussed the painting and would like to see emphasis on the colors of the sample.

MOTION to recommend "Four Seasons" with emphasis on the colors of the sample.

M/S: Foulk/Strauss

Ayes: All

No: McGuire

2. Grant Writing Update

Staff member Lorentzen said the group needs to decide if they want to write the grants as a team or if they would like to hire someone. Committee member Cherry said she is willing to draft the grants and bring them back for review. She will need the background on the Alviso Adobe. The committee will continue to search for more available grants.

3. Public Art Project Discussion

At the March meeting the Committee received possible art locations in or on City Property from the Engineering/Public Works Department Head, Greg Armendariz. The Committee needs to pick a space for the next piece of art.

MOTION to look into art at the Gateways and at the Milpitas Sports Center.

M/S: Hays/Strauss

Ayes: All

XI. City Council Liaison Report

CDBG funding was passed.

The grand opening of Sunpower on Gibraltar was held.

Twenty One thousand dollars was approved for the fireworks show on the 4th of July.

Next years budget will include a 7% payout by City Employees.

XII. Future Agenda Items

- Available grants for Historic Sites
- Possible sites for public art.
- Presentation from Diana Barnhart
- Main Street Sculpture Display

XIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Committee Members adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting of April 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Ciardella
Recording Secretary