

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Public Art Committee (PAC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, August 23, 2010
Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Conference Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.

I. Call to Order Vice Chairperson Foulk called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance Vice Chairperson Foulk led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call Committee Members Present: Anthony, Baker, Beran, Ettinger, Foulk, Hays, McGuire, Nguyen, Santos and Strauss

Committee Member excused: Cherry, Navarro Voellger

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

City Council Liaison Present: Council Member Giordano.

IV. Seating of Alternates None.

V. Approval of Agenda MOTION to approve the agenda dated August 23, 2010 as submitted.

M/S: Hays/Ettinger Ayes: All

VI. Approval of Minutes MOTION to approve the minutes of June 28, 2010 as submitted.

M/S: McGuire/Nguyen Ayes: All Abstain: Ettinger

VII. Public Forum None.

VII. Announcements/Correspondence

Staff member Lorentzen announced that approximately 1,000 people attended the grand opening of the Barbara Lee Senior Center. The center opened for business on August, 16th, and business has since doubled and continues to grow.

IX. Old Business

1. Veterans Memorial Bench

Upgrades are currently being done to the Veteran's Memorial area and the bench will be installed in late October/early November and will be unveiled at the Veteran's Day Ceremony.

2. Senior Center Interior Art

All art has been installed with the exception of the entrance piece. All of the citizens have been chosen that will appear on the piece and it is expected to be installed by early February.

3. Alviso Adobe Art

Staff met with the engineering department at the Alviso Adobe to look at the site. A meeting with the subcommittee will take place in September.

X. New Business

1. Milpitas Gateways Presentation

Diana Barnhart, Economic Development Manager, presented the Committee information about the history of Gateway and Streetscape plans. She stated that there are three possible locations within the City for minor signs. They are: Dixon Landing Road and North Milpitas Blvd, S. Main and Montague and S. Park Victoria and Landess. The Economic Development Commission has picked these possible locations and PAC can get involved as long as it is artist designed. PAC can use some of their money and add to the \$75,000 that has already been allocated to the project.

The Committee requested for staff to include this project for their 2011 Master Plan discussion.

2. Public Art Committee Event

Committee Member Phan stated that the subcommittee met in July to discuss and create two Public Art Committee Event proposals for Committee review. The Sub-Committee's first choice is an "Art & Wine Classic". It will be an art show featuring artists and their works with a panel of judges to pick "best of" for designated categories, as well as public favorite voting. The event will be adult focused with wine and light refreshments served. Their second choice is "Chalk, Chocolate & Cheese". This event would feature Chalk Art and Artists down Calaveras Blvd., with family friendly booths, food and entertainment. The Committee discussed both events and decided they preferred the Art & Wine Classic. They would like to keep the "Chalk, Chocolate & Cheese" event to possibly hold it in the future.

MOTION to move forward with Subcommittee recommendation of the Art & Wine Classic Event.

M/S: Baker/Hays

Ayes: All

3. City Hall Art

Staff member Lorentzen stated that the City Hall Art Project Stakeholders met in fall of 2009 about possible ideas, themes and budget for new art in front of City Hall and the removal and placement of the Cartwheel Kids.

The Committee discussed a plan for new art at City Hall before the Cartwheel Kids can be moved. Committee member Foulk gave a presentation of having a statue of the Minute Man as the chosen art work. Committee members discussed and gave their opinions.

MOTION to move forward with a City Hall Art project Request for Qualifications with the theme of the "Minute Man".

M/S: Foulk/McGuire

Ayes: Nguyen, Foulk, McGuire and Hays

No: Ettinger, Strauss, Santos, Anthony, Baker, Beran

Motion Failed.

MOTION to move forward with a City Hall Art project Request for Qualifications to be open but not excluding historical themes.

M/S: Hays/Baker

Ayes: All

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Staff will move forward with preparing the Request for Qualifications and return to the Committee with a draft at their September 27, 2010 meeting.

XI. Council Liaison Report

Council Member Giordano reported the following:

- City Council is discussing a plan to ban plastic bags
- City Council is responding to the Civil Grand Jury's inquiry about salaries.

XI. Future Agenda Items

- Project Timeline 2011 - September
- Grants – September
- Draft of RFQ
- Art and Wine Classic

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Committee Members adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting of September 27, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Ciardella
Recording Secretary