UNAPPROVED MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, November 28, 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 6:00 p.m.

II. Phantom Art Gallery Opening
None.

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

IV. Roll Call
Commissioners Present: Foulk, Hays, McGuire, Phan, Santos, and Strauss
Commissioners Absent: Alternate Gill

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

City Council Liaison Excused: Council Member Giordano

V. Seating of Alternates
Alternate Phan was seated for Commissioner Gill.

VI. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda of November 28, 2011 as submitted.
M/S: Foulk/Strauss  Ayes: All

VII. Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes of September 26, 2011 as submitted.
M/S: Strauss/Phan  Ayes: All  Abstain: Santos

VIII. Public Forum
None.

IX. Announcements/Correspondence
- Ms. Lorentzen announced the following:
  - The 24th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on 12/1/11 at 7:00 P.M.
  - Parks and Recreation Foundations’ Festival of Trees Holiday Event will be held the same night, 12/1/11 at 5:30 P.M.

X. Old Business
  1. Arts Outreach Calendar Update
Commissioner Anthony briefly gave a presentation on the use of Google Calendar. All the Commissioners felt comfortable in using the calendar and were encouraged to include any Arts events they were aware of.

  2. Artist of the Year Award Update
As part of the Work Plan for 2011, the Arts Commission decided to create and implement an Artist of the Year Award. Staff Lorentzen announced they had received one nomination for resident Bill Hare, Grammy Award winner for his production of Acapella Music. Staff read the applicant’s bio that was submitted for Artist of the Year. She also played an excerpt of the Artists’ work.
MOTION to approve the Artist of the Year nomination.

M/S: Foulk/Strauss  Ayes: All

XI. New Business

1. Phantom Art Gallery Application Review

The Arts Commission jury’s art for two (2) Phantom Art Gallery sites at the Community Center and the Library in Milpitas.

Staff Lorentzen stated there were four artists/art organizations, Jan Bran, Milpitas Camera Club, Tony Sehgal and Golden Hills Art Association, to be reviewed tonight. The artists brought a sampling of their art pieces that they would like to display.

The four artists showed their artwork to the Commission for their review, and said a few words about themselves personally and professionally.

Jan Bran, will be displaying a mixture of different art mediums. He showed a sun dial, two sculptures and several drawings.

MOTION to approve Jan Bran to display his artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Hays/Santos  Ayes: All

Milpitas Camera Club will be celebrating a 10 year anniversary and retrospective of the club’s founder, Ms. Kaz Hamano. Club requested to use their own panels to display art pieces.

MOTION to approve Milpitas Camera Club to display his artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Hays/Strauss  Ayes: All

Tony Sehgal, a filmmaker and digital photographer over 15 years. His work comprised of digital photos taken at a Buddhist region in India, depicting a broad section of the environment.

MOTION to approve Tony Sehgal to display his artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Hays/Santos  Ayes: All

Golden Hills Art Association displayed different art works using water colors, acrylic, pen/pencil, and oils. The group has requested to use their own panels for their displays.

MOTION to approve Golden Hills Art Association to display his artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Foulk/Strauss  Ayes: All  Abstain: McGuire

2. May 2012 Meeting
The Arts Commission’s May 28, 2012 meeting falls on National Holiday, Memorial Day. Due to the special Veterans Phantom Art Gallery Exhibit opening planned to coincide with City’s Memorial Day ceremony at 9:00am on Monday, May 28, 2012, Staff Lorentzen recommends canceling the May 28, 2012 meeting and participating in the Veterans Day Phantom Art Gallery to support the exhibit.

MOTION to cancel the May 28, 2012 Arts Commission Meeting.
M/S: Strauss/Foulk Ayes: All

XII. Liaison Reports

1. City Council None.

2. Staff Report
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on January 23, 2012.

XIII. Future Agenda Items

XIV. Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting on January 23, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosana Cacao
Recording Secretary