Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)  
Date of Meeting: Monday, September 23, 2013  
Place of Meeting: City Hall Committee Conference Room 1st Floor

I. Call to Order  
Vice Chairperson Strauss called the Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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

IV. Seating of Alternates  
Phan.

V. Approval of Agenda  
MOTION to approve the agenda of September 23, 2013 as submitted.  
M/S: McGuire/Phan  
Ayes: All

VI. Approval of Minutes  
MOTION to approve the minutes of July 22, 2013 as submitted.  
M/S: Santos/Phan  
Ayes: All

VII. Public Forum  
None.

VIII. Announcements/Correspondence  
None.

IX. New Business

1. Phantom Art Gallery Application Review – Staff Lorentzen  
The Arts Commission juries art for two (2) Phantom Art Gallery sites at the Community Center and Library in Milpitas.

Staff Lorentzen introduced two artists, Janice Scafir and Maria Rosario Diza to be reviewed. The artists brought a sampling of their art pieces and told the commission about themselves.

MOTION to approve Janice Scafir’s art display in the Phantom Art Gallery  
M/S: McGuire/Foulk  
Ayes: All

MOTION to approve Maria Rosario Diaz’s art display in the Phantom Art Gallery  
M/S: Foulk/Santos  
Ayes: All

2. After the Bell Art Show Library Gallery Display – Staff Lorentzen  
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Staff member Lorentzen explained that due to staffing changes this item will be tabled for future meetings.

3. Milpitas Art and Culture Grant Program Proposal Review - Staff Lorentzen

Staff member Lorentzen briefly discussed the four (4) grant applications received for the 13.14 Grant Cycle. As part of the City of Milpitas’ 2013-2014 Fiscal Year budget, grant program monies will not be available for award. However, MACG applying artists and/or organization will receive a grant of In-Kind Services including performance space and staff assistance with marketing efforts.

First applicant, Sandhiya Kalvanasundaram is proposing a visual arts display to connect arts and science.

MOTION to approve Sandhiya Kalvanasundaram MACG application.

M/S: Hays/Santos Ayes: All

Second applicant, Bay Area Showcase Chorus, is hosting all day harmony workshops with performance at the end of the day.

MOTION to approve Bay Area Showcase Chorus application.

M/S: Hays/Foulk Ayes: All

Third applicant, Filipino American Association of Milpitas, Inc. celebrating their Annual Fiesta of cultural dances, food and performances.

MOTION to approve Filipino American Association of Milpitas, Inc application, foregoing the consecutive year stipulation.

M/S: Foulk/McGuire Ayes: All

Fourth applicant, North American Guqin Association application, using the instrument “Guqin” to celebrate music and culture.

MOTION to approve North America Guqin Association application.

M/S: Hays/Foulk Ayes: All

X. Old Business

1. By Laws Review

Staff Lorentzen provided the draft by laws to combine the Arts Commission and Public Art Committee into one advisory body. Changes to the mission statement, membership, tasks and requirement for a quorum will be recommended.

MOTION to recommend the by laws to City Council for final consideration and action.

M/S: Foulk/Gil Ayes: All

2. 2013 Artist of the Year Award

Application was updated to reflect any changes or recommendations. Staff will promote award through media, press releases and Commissioners will also help to promote. Applications are due November 15. A subcommittee to review nominations received was formed with Foulk, Santos and McGuire.
XII. Liaison Reports

- City Council – Council member Giordano briefly provided a report on the Milpitas Unified School District’s request to acquire piece of land from RDA to build a school.
- Strategic Planning for the City is in process with a consultant on board.
- Negotiations with Fire and Police continue
- Staff invited group to the Veteran’s Car Show on Saturday, October 19, 10:00am-4:00pm. Proceeds will be donated to local USO Fisher House. Registration fee is $30.
- City’s 60th Anniversary planning continues with the following events:
  - Gala, January 25, 2014
  - Family Day, January 26, 2014 (All Commissions are encouraged to plan for an activity booth.)

XIII. Future Agenda Items

  Arts and Culture Grants; Artist of the Year

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting on November 25, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosana Cacao
Recording Secretary