

MINUTES
ALVISO ADOBE ART INSTALLATION SUBCOMMITTEE
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Alviso Adobe Art Installation Subcommittee
Date of Meeting: Tuesday, September 7, 2010
Place of Meeting: Milpitas Senior Center, 40 N. Milpitas Blvd.

Attendance

Present:

Staff Liaison, Renee Lorentzen
Public Art Committee, Marcella Anthony
Public Art Committee, Bill Foulk
Public Art Committee, Becky Strauss
PRCRC, Frances Krommenhock
Milpitas Historical Society, Harriett McGuire
Milpitas Historical Society, Kerry Silva

Absent:

Milpitas Historical Society, Dennis Cuciz

Audience:

Barbara Gomes

The Subcommittee met and discussed possible art installations for the Historical Alviso Adobe Park. The Subcommittee was provided a packet which outlined the project and detailed elements to be included in the Park. Staff prefaced the meeting with the City's desire for any artwork that is installed to be fitting and respectful of the Historic Site. Art pieces that are abstract or interpretive in form would not be appropriate.

The subcommittee discussed following possible project ideas:

- Entrance Adobe Sign
- Educational Signs
- Restoration of Farm Equipment in Barn
- Sculpture of "family farming"

The Subcommittee expressed that any or any combination of the above projects would be appropriate for the site. The consensus was that any art installed should be representative of the history and the families of the Alviso Adobe and what they did on that land and for the community.

Staff clarified that the City would take inventory of the farm equipment in the barn if/when the Public Art Committee makes recommendation to move forward with that type of art project.

The Milpitas Historical Society President, Harriett McGuire informed the Subcommittee that the Society is looking into a fundraiser for the art project that would incorporate memorial bricks that people can buy in honor of their family and friends. Staff responded that they are aware of

this project and should the Public Art Committee and the City chose to move forward with this type of project, the bricks would need to be placed in non high-traffic areas due to wear and tear on the bricks.

The meeting concluded with staff scheduling a meeting for the following month at which budget information and any comment from Project Staff on art project ideas would be shared.

Respectfully Submitted,
Renee Lorentzen
Staff Liaison