

MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, November 16, 2015
Place of Meeting: City Hall Committee Conference Room 1st Floor

I. Call to Order Chairperson Strauss called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

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

III. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Driggers, Hays, Mathias, McGuire, Phan, Santos and Strauss

Commissioners Absent: Foulk, Gill, Roth, Shu and Tran

City Staff Present: Staff Liaison Jaime Chew, Recording Secretary Justin Yount

City Council Liaison: Council Member Giordano

IV. Seating of Alternates Commissioner Driggers

V. Approval of Agenda **MOTION** to approve the agenda of November 16, 2015 as submitted.
M/S: Hays/Mathias Ayes: All

VI. Approval of Minutes **MOTION** to approve the minutes of September 28, 2015 as submitted.
M/S: Hays/Santos Ayes: All

VII. Public Forum Bernadette Escalona Cooper presented “Face the Race” which is a cultural integration community building event. She is hoping to get support from the Commission and wanted the item to be agendaized for next meeting.

VIII. Announcements/Correspondence

Staff Chew announced the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on November 30 at 7:00pm.

IX. Old Business

1. Milpitas Police Station Art Project Update – Staff Chew

Staff Chew conversed with staff regarding theme of the art piece as well as the placement. The police department is looking for a more general theme versus only highlighting the K9 unit. Also, there is a possibility that piece could be moved to the street. Final placement is undetermined at this time. Staff Chew recommends keeping the project on the Master Plan, but to come back to the project once the theme and placement are finalized.

2. 2016-2019 Public Art Master Plan Discussion – Staff Chew

The commission prioritized and assigned budget for both new public art projects and maintenance of public art projects in the Master Plan. The Final Master Plan will be forwarded to City Council for final approval.

Motion to accept budget and priority assignments as determined by the Commission.

M/S: Hays/Mathias Ayes: All

X. New Business

1. Public Art Concepts for Public Storage on Watson Court – Staff Chew

The commission reviewed the public art concepts that would be installed at the privately owned Public Storage on Watson Court.

Motion to suggest geometric leaf (option 3) concept.

M/S: Hays/Mathias Ayes: All

2. Artist of the Year Application Review and Selection – Staff Chew

The Arts Commission received one application for 2016 Artist of the Year. The nominee is James Coulson, who is a multi-talented artist and teacher at Ranch Middle School. The application was reviewed and voted on by commissioners.

Motion to approve application and nomination for Artist of the Year.

M/S: Mathias/Santos Ayes: All

3. Private Public Art Process – Staff Chew

The Commission discussed developing a process to review private public art. Staff Chew presented itemized guidelines and timeline to the Commission to review.

Motion to accept guidelines with the exception of moving 7a into position 1.

M/S: Mathias/Hays Ayes: All

X. Liaison Reports

1. City Council – Council Member Giordano gave updates on Council meeting items.
2. Staff Report - Staff Chew reported that she located a copy of the City of Mipitas Cultural Arts Plan – Implementation Grid. However, there was difficulty in locating the Performing Arts Feasibility Study completed in 1998. She asked any of the original Arts Commission members to see if they could locate a hard copy.

XI. Future Agenda Items

1. Public Art Fund
2. Update on Bart Art
3. Performing Arts Center

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm to the next scheduled meeting on January 25, at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Yount
Recording Secretary