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CITY OF SANTA CRUZ
ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
Wednesday September 11, 2013 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
809 Center Street
Santa Cruz, California 95060

Arts Commission – Regular Meeting

Chair Lee Duffus called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

Roll Call

Present: A Allan, L Duffus, S Garcia, P Haywood, P McGettigan, T Praxel
Absent: L Kershner
Staff: C Birns, Arts Program Manager, J Guevara, Redevelopment Manager
Guests: Mark Primack, Nina Simon

Statements of Disqualification – none

Oral Communications

Mark Primack requested the Arts Commission agendaize his proposal for an art project at the Depot Roundabout.

Nina Simon discussed streetscape project concept development as related to the Abbott Square plan completed in summer 2013 by Project for Public Spaces. Commissioner T Praxel recommended the Arts Commission continue to express full support for a strong partnership between the City and MAH in implementing the plan, and specifically the streetscape project. No action was taken.

Announcements

Approval of Minutes

1. Arts Commission meeting minutes of February 13, 2013

Action: P McGettigan moved, seconded by A Allan to approve the February 13, 2013 meeting minutes. S Garcia and T Praxel abstained. Motion carried.

General Business Items

2. FY13 Annual Report

Recommendation: Review and accept staff report.

This item was postponed. No action was taken.

3. FY14 Work Plan

Recommendation: Review and provide feedback on proposed fiscal year 2014 City Arts work plan.

Commissioners reviewed the Water Data Visualization proposal prepared and presented by staff, and the RRF Artist-in-residence pilot program proposal prepared and presented by Commissioner P Haywood.

Action: P Mcgettigan moved, seconded by P Haywood to recommend staff move forward with developing and releasing an RFP for a Water Data Visualization public art project, and recommend a budget adjustment be made to the Water Public Art budget to allow for \$25,000 to be allocated to this project. Motion carried.

Action: T Praxel moved, seconded by L Duffus to recommend P Haywood proceed with scoping and logistics conversations with Arts and Refuse staff to develop the RRF Artist-in-residence pilot program with a recommended budget of \$20,000 and project implementation to begin Spring 2014, with departmental approval. Motion carried.

Commissioners and staff discussed moving forward with replacing the deteriorated Harbor High traffic signal cabinet artwork in collaboration with Harbor High art teacher Frank Wessels.

4. Meeting Schedule and Bylaws

Recommendation: Review and Recommend City Council adoption of proposed Arts Commission meeting schedule and bylaws updated.

Action: P Haywood moved, seconded by A Allan to approve proposed changes conceptually and delegate updates to the Chair and Vice-Chair working with staff. Motion carried.

A request was made to bring updated bylaws back to the Arts Commission before submitting to City Council for approval.

A request was made to create a shared document to keep Commissioners apprised of project updates in real time assuming an updated schedule of 4 meetings a year. Staff agreed to look into Brown Act restrictions around this concept.

Information Items – none

Subcommittee/ Project Oral Reports

Staff provided updates on the following projects:

- Arts & Economic Impact Study
- Event Calendar
- SculpTOUR 2013
- Libraries Inside Out

Chair L Duffus provide an update on conversations with Finance staff regarding nonprofit arts Admission Tax concerns.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

Commissioners recommended inviting Jim Brown to an upcoming meeting to present 2013 Arts and Economic Impact Study survey results.

Commissioners recommended adding Roundabout Public Art to the October agenda, to include a presentation by Mark Primack.

Adjournment - The Arts Commission adjourned from its regular meeting of Wednesday, September 11, 2013 to its next regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. October 9, 2013 in City Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved for Arts Commission:

Staff

Chair