

City of San José Arts Commission Meeting

Meeting Minutes August 21, 2017

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

Call to Order

Vice-Chair Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in Wing Rooms 119 and 120 of City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara Street, CA 95113.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Commissioners Lynne Brown, Smita Garg, Charlie McCollum, Christopher

Morrish, Tina Morrill, Albert Le, Leanne Lindelof (arr. 5:35), Ron Muriera

(arr. 5:40), Ramona Snyder, and Roma Dawson.

ABSENT: Richard James

STAFF: Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner, Director of Public Art

Michael Ogilvie, Director of Special Events Tammy Turnipseed, Senior Arts Program Officer Lynn Rogers, Policy Aide Sachin Radhakrishnan (D5)

II. Public Comment

Nancy Bavor, the new Executive Director of the San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles announced the museum is celebrating its 40th Anniversary this year.

III. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 19, 2017.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by McCollum, the meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 19, 2017 were approved. (7-0-1) (Commissioner Garg abstained; Commissioners Muriera and Lindelof were not present at the time of this vote.)

B. Public Record

There was no public record filed.

IV. Reports and Information Only

A. Council Liason's Report

New District 5 Policy Aide Sachin Radhakrishnan introduced himself and provided a brief oral report. Of note is the upcoming Sister City Conference, and their interest in promoting the OCA's Arts and Cultural Exchange Grants to the Sister Cities.

B. Chair's Report

No report. (Chair James was absent.)

C. Update: Special Outdoor Events (Item was heard after Item V. 1. B.)
Special Events Director Tammy Turnipseed presented a verbal report and PowerPoint presentation. She was available for questions and comments from the Commission.

V. Business

1. Executive Committee

Vice-Chair Snyder, Committee Chair, provided a verbal report on most recent meeting

ACTION: Recommend the Art Commission review the Arts Commission's annual report for the FY 2016-2017 and workplan for FY 2017-2018 and recommend its approval by the City Council's Community and Economic Development Committee as required by City Council.

Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner presented the annual report, current year workplan, and related items from the memom nothing that, effective FY 2017-18 approval of this item now goes forward to the City Council's Community and Economic Development Committee instead of the Rules Committee; that this item was reviewed by the Executive Committee at its most recent meeting, and the most items on the Workplan remain the same except for the addition of an Ad Hoc Committee for Public Art Funding. Commissioner Dawson asked for clarification about the process of making additions to the workplan, citing examples of how other City commissions structure their workplans, and noted an interest in previous OCA Arts Education programs such as Arts Express and requested a deeper discussion about it, possibly at the Commission retreat.

Motion: Commissioner McCollum made the motion to approve; seconded by Commissioner Morrish; (10-0-0).

2. Action: Recommend that the Arts Commission approve the selection for the 2017 Business Support of the Arts Award.

Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner presented the background on this itemm noting that the Business Support of the Arts category had been reopened; she highlighted the accomplishments of Applied Materials in this category.

Motion: Commissioner Muriera made the motion to approve; seconded by Commissioner Le; (9-0-1). (Commissioner Morrish abstained.)

3. Public Art Committee

a. Committee's Chair's verbal report on most recent meeting.

Committee Chair Muriera reported that the Public Art Committee (PAC) adjourned its August 15th meeting in honor of Bay Area arts leader Ebony McKinney, highlighting her contributions to the regional and national arts community. He provided an update on the items reviewed and approved by the

PAC at its meeting. These included an item presented by Cultural Affairs Director Adams Hapner on a partnership with Burning Man Projects to exhibit select artworks in San Jose, a partnership with MACLA for a display project at the Airport; a partnership between Children's Discovery Museum (CDM) and Empire 7 for mural artworks on the CDM portico, an update on artist Scape Martinez's engagement plan for his District 5 Creates and Connects projects; and update on the Mural Artists Roster Artist Call, which received 126 eligible submittals. There was also an update by the Public Art Director on work with other officials in the statewide public art network to address issues with CalTrans about artist copyrights on CalTrans projects; he noted that he and Commissioner Muriera attended a meeting with CalTrans in Sacramento with other public art officials, and that a letter to CalTrans from State Senators Jim Beall, Scott Wiener and Nancy Skinner was very impactful in gaining support from CalTrans on making requested changes.

b. Public Art Conservation and Maintenance – Annual Report. Director of Public Art Michael Ogilvie provided an oral report illustrated with a Powepoint presentation showing a range of public art collection maintenance issues that either have been addressed or will need to be addressed. He gave a perspective on costs.

Commission discussion ensued. Commissioners expressed appreciation for the level of detail and cost estimates in the report. Cultural Affairs Director Adams Hapner commended the Public Art Director and Public Art staff for their good work on this important aspect of the City's Public Art Program.

- c. Report and discussion: Discussed revenues associated with the Urban Villages Implementation Framework and Downtown Sign District as recommended by Mayor Liccardo in his memo as part of item 7.3 on the June 6 City Council Agenda
 - Director of Public Art Michael Ogilvie provided an oral report, updating the Commission on findings from research about the possibilities in both of these areas.
- d. Discussion regarding formation of an ad-hoc committee for continued exploration of public art funding options to help backfill the Regional Wastewater Facility percent exemption. Cultural Affairs Director Kerry Adams Hapner explained an Ad Hoc Committee can exist for up to six months and that the goal is to report to Council in November; the Ad Hoc Committee will bring its findings to the Commission which in turn will report to Council. The Ad Hoc Committee will be Commissioners Dawson, Morrill, McCollum and Snyder and it will work with the Public Art Director.

4. Office of Cultural Affairs

- a. Monthly report Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner presented items from the monthly report.
- b. Arts Commission Liasons (2 minutes per report unless otherwise indicated)
 - a. City Hall Exhibits Commissioner Morrill had no report as Committee has not met.
 - b. Silicon Valley Arts Coalition Commissioner Brown reported on recent activities.
 - c. Silicon Valley Creates No report as Chair James was not present.
 - d. Levitt Pavilion Committee Commissioner Dawson had no report but per Cultural Affairs Director Adams Hapner, the Levitt Pavilion Board is hard at work.
 - e. Hammer Theatre Committee No report as Chair James was not present.
 - f. South First Area Committee (SOFAC) Commissioner Lindelof had no report as she has been away and just returned from travel.
 - g. San Jose Downtown Association Commissioner Snyder reported.
 - h. San Jose Creates and Connects Commissioner Muriera reported; no meeting scheduled until August 31, 2017.
 - i. Team San Jose Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner reported.
 - j. SPUR (new liaison report) Commissioner McCollum reported.

c. Commission Communications

Various Commissioners announced the following:

- Sonido Clash Music Fest is upcoming at School of Arts and Culture on September 3.
- Preservation Council event about historic Spanish revival architecture is this coming weekend with a tour in the Naglee Park area
- ShakesBEERience is back at Cafe Stritch featuring the San Jose Chamber Orchestra on August 28, a popular event that typically sells out.
- Mariachi School is taking place at the School of Arts and Culture at Mexican Heritage Plaza.
- San Jose Jazz SummerFest was excellent and attended by many Commissioners; the crowds seemed larger than last year; event was welldone and well-handled.

VII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be on September 18, 2017 at 5:30 PM in Wing Rooms 119 and 120.

VIII. Adjournment

Vice-Chair James adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

RAMONA SNYDER, VICE CHAIR

ATTEST:

ARTS COMMISSION SECRETARY

LYNN ROGERS, ARTS PROGRAM MANAGER