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ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, November 3, 2008

Simpkins Family Swim Center

4:30 p.m.

979 17TH AVENUE, Live Oak Community Room

Regular Meeting

Santa Cruz, CA 95062

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

Members: Bruce Arnold, Shirlee Byrd, Cynthia Kilian, James Nee, Joanna Phillips, Melinda Rambo, Judy Stabile, Bobbi Todaro, Dana Werdmuller

Present: Shirlee Byrd, Cynthia Kilian, James Nee, Joanna Phillips, Judy Stabile, Bobbi Todaro

Staff: Joe Schultz, Christine Bennett, Kathy DeWild

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS OR APPROVAL

The agenda was accepted as written (Stabile/Byrd 6/0).

III. CONSENT AGENDA

The information and reports were accepted and filed (Stabile/Todaro 6/0) and the minutes of October 6, 2008 were approved as written (Stabile/Todaro 6/0).

IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Stabile thanked staff for South County public art tour. Commissioner Kilian requested a tour of new park projects be planned.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Schultz thanked commissioners for their participation in the South County public art tour. The budget is looking pretty grim on all levels – state, county, department, and hoping that more cuts are not coming which would impact services and staffing.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Information Items

1. Annual Report

Commissioner Stabile requested that the goal of maintaining public art be on the annual report, as well as a list showing the need and priority for attention. Also discussed was finding alternative funding sources for the maintenance costs. Commissioners would like to give recognition to private parties who incorporate art visible to the public in their projects, and a sub-committee is to

be formed to look into getting 2% for the arts in private projects. Also to be added was working to secure donations of art to the County's collection.

2. Public Art Update

Kathy DeWild stated that the grand opening of the Animal Services building on October 25th was a great success. All three artists selected were present and a plaque with their names will be installed at the facility. The Floral Park Call to Artists information will be e-mailed soon. Felt Street project is now back on the table and the funding with money from RDA needs to be reviewed since so much time has passed.

B. Action Items

1. Commission's Annual Retreat

The January 2009 commission meeting will be January 24, 2009 from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM in Simpkin's Community Room, followed by the retreat and potluck lunch.

2. Additional art for ASA

Kathy DeWild stated that there is funding for Marvin Plummer to commission an additional piece of art for the foyer of the ASA facility (not to exceed \$7,000). Concepts will be provided for review at the January 2009 meeting. Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve, and Commissioner Nee seconded the motion. Vote passed 6/0.

VII. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:

**Saturday, January 24, 2009 9:00 a.m.
Simpkins Family Swim Center, 2nd Floor**

A. Informational Items

- 1. Alternate funding resources**
- 2. Sub-committee on 2% for arts**
- 3. Recognition for incorporating public art in private projects**
- 4. Securing art donations from former Artists of the Year**
- 5. Format for Cultural Council presentation next year**

B. Action Items

- 1. Additional art for ASA by Marvin Plummer**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m. (Byrd/Stabile 6/0).