

PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, September 6, 2016
City Hall, Richmond Room
450 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Jenny Balisle, Dayna Holz, Linda Kalin, Fletcher Oakes, Kate Sibley

Absent: Jessica Parker

Staff: Michele Seville

I. The meeting was called to order by Chair (Pro Tem) Fletcher Oakes at 7:03 p.m.

II. Action: Agenda Review and Approval

Upon motion of Holz, second by Balisle, the agenda was approved.

III. Action: Minutes Review and Approval

Upon motion of Sibley, second by Balisle, the August 9, 2016 minutes were approved with corrections.

IV. Review Family Justice Center Artist Status & Next Steps

Michele Seville reported that four artists responded to the Invitational Call for Entries, Request for Proposals for Public Art Sculpture at the West County Family Justice Center (WCFJC). The artists responding were: John Toki, Karen Cusolito, Keiko Nelson, and Katy Boynton. None of the artists provided the requested materials in full, which led to a protracted discussion regarding how to move forward.

It was decided that, since there are more artists than we ultimately intend to select as finalists, Seville would send follow-up emails to the four artists by September 21, asking them to submit fleshed-out but still rough ideas by November 1. From these November 1 submittals, the Selection Panel, composed of some PAAC members, some RACC members, and a representative of the WCFJC, will select three finalists by November 15. These three finalists will at that time be paid \$250 each to provide a fully detailed presentation on January 11, 2017.

V. Review Edits to Richmond's Private Percent for Art Resolution

Seville reported that Katy Curl, Director of Library and Cultural Service, spoke with Richard Mitchell, Director of Planning and Building Service regarding the Percent for Public Art in Private Development. Mitchell does not believe this proposed ordinance will be a problem. However, he has not yet provided a list of developers to contact.

More input is needed from Mitchell before Curl can talk to City Attorney Bruce Goodmiller.

Dayna Holz will send Seville and the PAAC members the two revised ordinances (splitting Percent and a Half for Public Art in City Capital Improvement Projects from Percent for Public Art in Private Development to make two separate ordinances). Seville will forward these to Richard Mitchell. Holz indicated she would be happy to meet with Curl and Mitchell to go over these two documents.

Jenny Balisle offered to collect other similar ordinances.

VI. Review of NPA Projects by Liaisons

PAAC members in attendance gave updates on NPA projects. At this point most of the projects under the aegis of PAAC members are completed, with the exception of the project by Keiko Nelson (liaison Holz). In response to Oakes's question about how closely RACC/PAAC liaisons should watch the NPA leaders' management of their budgets, it was agreed that we are not there to micromanage.

One idea proposed for a future NPA project is for a professional photographer who can train young photographers. This could have double advantage in that the photographers could provide a photographic record all of the other NPA projects. While NPA grantees are encouraged to photographically document their projects, this could relieve them of that burden while at the same time raising the level of artistry in the final exhibition.

VII. Staff Report

Seville reiterated the report that she had distributed.

VIII. Announcements

- Seville announced that RYSE Center has received one of the annual arts awards from the Arts and Culture Commission of Contra Costa County (AC5). Richmond Arts and Culture Commission Ben Steinberg suggested this. The awards will be presented at the County Board of Supervisors meeting on October 25th in Martinez (651 Pine Street). The presentation will take place around 9:30 a.m.; all are encouraged to attend; public comment is also welcome on this item at that time.
- Kalin asked if we have a master artists' list. Balisle explained that we encourage Richmond artists to sign up on the AC5 artists' roster.

IX. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Next Meeting October 11, 2016