



Art in Public Places Panel

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, June 7, 2010

The Art in Public Places Panel convened in a regular meeting on *Monday, June 7, 2010* at City Hall, Room 2016, 301 W. Second Street in Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair Ryan Thompson called the Panel Meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

Panel Members in Attendance: Risa Puleo (Chair) - partial, Ryan Thompson (Vice Chair), Irene Roderick (Arts Commission Liaison), Jaime Castillo, Jennifer Chenoweth, Murray Legge, Lynn Osgood.

Panel Members Absent: none

Staff in Attendance: Jean Graham, Alyson McGee, Megan Crigger.

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes for the regular meeting of 5/3/10 were approved with no changes on the motion of Panel Member Osgood. Panel Member Legge seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0-1 vote. Panel Chair Puleo had not yet arrived.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

Taken out of order. Chair Puleo addressed the Panel's level of rigor in the review of design of public art projects.

4. ARTS COMMISSION LIAISON REPORT

Irene Roderick reported that the AIPP items on the agenda in the last Arts Commission meeting had been approved.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Approve Final Design of McBeth Recreation Center.

Alyson McGee presented the project background. Artists Michael Heffernan, Margaret Heffernan, and Sarah Twaddle presented their final design with a model and description of how they would engage McBeth Center clients. Team artist Faith Schexnyder was not present. Panel members discussed details with Artists.

Panel Member Legge motioned to approve the Final Design as presented. Panel Member Osgood seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0-1 (Chenoweth).

b. Presentation on Zachary Scott Theater Art in Public Places Project

Alyson McGee presented the project background and a teleconference was set up with Artist Cliff Garten in California. Elisabeth Challener, ZACH Managing Director and Catherine Craig of Andersson Wise Architects presented the site and layout of the building and described the extended collaborative process of determining a suitable location for integrating the artwork. Artist Cliff Garten presented his current design for developing a grove of trees as a gathering area on the south side of the plaza to include benches and glowing stainless steel orbs. Several Panel Members expressed concern about the work's functional nature and its role in serving landscaping needs. Chair Puleo suggested looking into using other material other than limestone; Chenoweth suggested having more variety in the stainless steel elements. No action required.

c. Approve Final Design of 8th Obelisco Artwork for East 7th Street Corridor AIPP Project

Jean Graham presented background information on the project, including images of the 7 other approved artwork designs for this corridor. Artist Ben Appl presented his artwork design of stained aluminum panels incorporating the casts of hands of East Austin residents to be located at the corner of 7th and Comal Street.

Panel Member Chenoweth motioned to approve the Final Design as presented. Panel Member Roderick seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 6-0-0.

7. VISIBILITY/BRANDING SUBCOMMITTEE
None.

8. PUBLIC ART COLLECTION SUBCOMMITTEE

- a.** Panel Member Osgood reported that the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Board recently voted against having the Bloch Cancer Park at the proposed site in Butler Park.

9. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a.** Jean Graham presented an update on Ned Kahn's System Control Center AIPP Project. The satellite location for this project is still being considered at the Seaholm Power Plant decommissioned stacks which will require further environmental testing for feasibility.
- b.** Jean Graham stated that the Arts Commission had asked for a report on the fund-raising efforts by Deep Eddy Mural Project Artists. That will be presented to the Arts Commission at their June meeting and they may take action to fund the remaining balance of the project.

10. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a.** Special Presentation on First Night Austin 2010
- b.** Regular AIPP Panel meeting will be held 2nd Monday, July 12 to accommodate the holiday
- c.** Presentation of designs for 2nd Street District Sidewalk Enhancements Phase II
- d.** Systems Control Center AIPP project
- e.** Discussion of AIPP Guidelines and Artwork Selection Process

11. ADJOURNMENT

Panel Chair Puleo adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m. without objection.