



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
Special Meeting – Monday, March 22, 2010

City Hall RM 1029
301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas

Commissioners in attendance: Allen Chen (late), Hal Katz (left early), Gloria Mata Pennington, Irene Roderick, Samuel Tinnon, Bruce Willenzik.

Staff in attendance: Vincent E. Kitch, Megan Crigger, Lani Golstab

A. Chair Pennington called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 8, 2010
Minutes approved.

C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

1. Latifah Taormina – Cultural Arts Funding Program Guidelines changes
2. Ora Shay – Cultural Arts Funding Program Guidelines changes, funding sources
3. Katherine Craft – The importance of community-based arts programs in the Cultural Arts Funding Program
4. Mike Melinger – A message to City Council regarding the Cultural Arts Funding Program Guidelines changes
5. Sally Jacques – Educational arts programs in Austin, urging City Council not to adopt the changes to the Cultural Arts Funding Guidelines
6. Michael Meigs – How Austin's vibrant cultural offerings attracted him to the city, the lack of information available about arts activities in Austin
7. Anne Lewis – Local artists' contribution to the community and public image of Austin

D. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. Cookie Ruiz – Update on CreateAustin implementation activities

E. CHAIR'S REPORT

1. Chair Pennington reported on exhibits at the Bob Bullock Museum and Harry Ransom Center, as well as the 7th Street Improvement groundbreaking ceremony. She also outlined a letter she sent on 3/17 to City Council stating her opposition to the changes to the Cultural Funding Program Guidelines.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Art in Public Places Discussion and Action Items
 - a. Presentation and action on Temporary Public Art *Moments* during Art City Austin

Motion: to approve the Temporary Public Art *Moments* during Art City Austin
Made by: Roderick Seconded by: Willenzik
Vote called: passed 7-0

b. Approve Final Design for Dittmar Recreation Center Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve the final design for the Dittmar Recreation Center AIPP Project
Made by: Katz Seconded by: Barnes
Vote called: passed 7-0

c. Approve Artist Selection Panel for Seaholm Wall Art in Public Places Project

Motion: to approve for the Artist Selection Panel for the Seaholm Wall AIPP Project
Made by: Willenzik Seconded by: Chen
Vote called: 7-0

d. Reappointment of Risa Puleo to the Art in Public Places Panel

Motion: to reappoint Risa Puleo to the AIPP Panel
Made by: Willenzik Seconded by: Roderick
Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Katz absent

e. Reappointment of Ryan Thompson to the Art in Public Places Panel

Motion: to reappoint Ryan Thompson to the AIPP Panel
Made by: Barnes Seconded by: Willenzik
Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Katz absent

f. Reappointment of Jennifer Chenoweth to the Art in Public Places Panel

Motion: to reappoint Jennifer Chenoweth to the AIPP Panel
Made by: Roderick Seconded by: Chen
Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Katz absent

2. Discussion and Action Items

a. Approve Auxiliary Programs Application Recommendations

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Motion: to approve the auxiliary program application recommendations
Made by: Barnes Seconded by: Willenzik
Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Katz absent

b. Discussion and action regarding the suspension of Auxiliary Programs Funding

Motion: to suspend all Auxiliary Programs Funding for the rest of the funding cycle
Made by: Willenzik Seconded by: Barnes
Vote called: passed 6-0, Commissioner Katz absent

c. Discussion and action regarding revisions to Cultural Arts Funding Guidelines

Motion: to advise Council to reject the current guidelines revisions advised by the law department, and to reinstate the guidelines that were recommended by the Commission in December
Made by: Barnes Seconded by: Roderick
Vote called: passed 7-0

Motion: To authorize the Chair to send a memo to Council outlining the Commission's position on the Cultural Funding Guidelines issue

Made by: Roderick Seconded by: Willenzik

Vote called: passed 7-0

G. STAFF REPORTS

Cultural Arts Program Manager Vincent Kitch gave updates on current division activities.

H. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

None.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Pennington adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:11 p.m.