



Art in Public Places Panel

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES ***MONDAY, November 1, 2010***

The Art in Public Places Panel convened in a regular meeting on *Monday, November 1, 2010* at City Hall, Room 2016, 301 W. Second Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Risa Puleo called the Panel Meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

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

Panel Members Absent: Murray Legge

Staff in Attendance: Megan Crigger, Meghan Turner, Alyson McGee

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes for the regular meeting of 10/4/10 were approved on the motion of Panel Member Roderick. Panel Member Osgood seconded the motion. Motion passed (5-0-0).

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

None

4. ARTS COMMISSION LIAISON REPORT

Panel Member Roderick reported that at their last meeting the Arts Commission approved recommending the City waive permit and other fees required of some Public Art projects. The item will be presented to City Council.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Presentation on the Asian American Resource Center
Megan Crigger introduced David Taylor (Project Manager with Public Works). David presented a PowerPoint presentation on the background of the project, site plan and possible floor plan for the first building planned for site and the opportunities for public art on the site. Panel discussed with David the demographics of the 40 stakeholder groups for clarity regarding the intent of the artistic expression and theme for the project. Megan Crigger reviewed the talking points from her 10/4/10 meeting with the Asian American Resource Center Board and stated the release of the call to artists may be delayed due to staffing shortfalls in the AIPP program.

No action was required. Panel Member Lynn Osgood volunteered to act as a liaison on the project for the AIPP Panel.

b. Presentation and Action on Bicycle Racks, Art in Public Places Program

Meghan Turner introduced Annick Beaudet, Program Consultant with Public Works Neighborhood Connectivity Division, and Melissa Barry, Downtown Austin Alliance Arts & Parks Director. Annick provided information on the City's Bicycle Master Plan and how the proposed AIPP project would assist in meeting the goals outlined in the plan. Annick further described David Byrne's involvement in the design of the proposed bike racks and the opportunity the project could provide to promote bicycling in Austin. The Panel discussed with Annick their desire for the designs to be Austin-specific and for the project to allow for community input and AIPP Panel feedback. The Panel and guests discussed the possibility of locating the bike racks to link cultural facilities or mark a path. Panel also expressed desire for bike racks to be utilitarian, and have identification of some kind.

Megan Crigger explained process for approval, that AIPP Panel would be recommending the artist selection be a "direct select" of David Byrne, and for authorization by City Council for the project to be managed as an Art in Public Places project and for the City to accept the funds to carry out project.

Panel Member Osgood made a motion to approve the direct selection of David Byrne as the artist, and to recommend authorization by City Council for the project to be managed as an Art in Public Places project and for the City to accept the funds to carry out project.

Panel Member Roderick seconded. Motion passed (5-0-0).

b. Presentation on the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility Art in Public Places Project

Alyson McGee provided a brief project review and presented the revised project outline that contained minor changes as requested by AIPP Panel at their last meeting. AIPP Panel provided additional minor wording changes to clarify intent and goals and recommended changes to graphics included in document. Panel Member Jennifer Chenoweth volunteered to act as a liaison on the project for the AIPP Panel.

Panel Member Roderick made a motion to approve the Project Outline with recommended wording changes. Panel Member Chenoweth seconded. Panel Member Thompson motioned for a friendly amendment to add an additional minor wording change. Panel Member Osgood seconded friendly amendment. Friendly amendment passed (5-0-0). Initial motion passed (5-0-0).

Panel reviewed and discussed list of potential Selection Panelists. Panel Member Roderick made a motion to recommend Moyo Okediji with Eddie Chambers as an alternate, Rick Lowe with Terry Adkins as an alternate, and Lisa Hembry, with Donna Carter as an alternate, and adding Harold McMillan as a Project Advisor. Panel Member Castillo seconded. Motion passed (5-0-0).

c. Approve Final Design for Second Street District Streetscape Improvement Project (Sidewalk Enhancement) – Laura Garanzuay

Meghan Turner introduced artist Laura Garanzuay. Laura reviewed the information she has researched regarding the Guadalupe River, described the design concept for her piece to be titled “Flow”, and presented drawings, sample materials and a maquette. Panel discussed the size of the anchors and washer proposed and requested Laura utilize the anchor without a washer, the anchor with a medium-sized washer, and the anchor with the large-sized washer.

Panel Member Chenoweth made a motion to approve the Final design with the direction regarding washer sizes incorporated. Panel Member Castillo seconded. Motion passed (5-0-0).

7. VISIBILITY/BRANDING SUBCOMMITTEE

None.

8. PUBLIC ART COLLECTION SUBCOMMITTEE

Megan Crigger will provide notes from Subcommittee Retreat at next meeting.

9. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. WPDR Rain Gauge public art project

Staff reported the project is on hold.

b. People’s Gallery Call now open.

Staff provided People’s Gallery Call postcards.

c. Upcoming dedications/openings.

Staff reported that dedications/openings for the Susanna Dickinson House and Dittmar Recreation Center projects are likely to take place in next 30 days. Panel will be notified when dates are determined.

10. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Days and times of future AIPP Panel meeting were discussed. Panel members prefer meeting remain first Mondays at 6:00 pm. December meeting will be cancelled if there are no agenda items to discuss.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Panel Chair Puleo adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. without objection.