



AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting – Monday, February 25, 2013
Cultural Arts Division offices
201 E. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas

Commissioners in attendance: Brett Barnes (Chair), Hal Katz (Vice Chair), Lulu Flores, Samuel Tinnon, Bruce Willenzik, Amy Wong Mok

Staff in attendance: Megan Crigger, Meghan Turner, Lani Golstab, Jean Graham, Susan Lambe

A. Chair Barnes called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve minutes of Regular Meeting on January 28, 2013

The minutes for the regular meeting of 1/28/2013 were approved with the following amendments: add applications approved for funding under section E.d. -- 13 CI 8 SP, Center for Women and Their Work/Nick Hennies; 13 CI 9 SP, Center for Women and Their Work/Rino Pizzi.

C. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATIONS

1. Abraham Mong - Austin murals and graffiti art
2. Sylvia Orozco, Mexic-Arte Museum - 5th Street Corridor and Republic Square
3. Brad Carlin, Fusebox - Fusebox Festival update

D. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Barnes reported that the Joint Issues Working Group with the Music Commission has not met since his last report and that the Guidelines Working Group will meet February 26. He also reminded the Commission of the annual report due in March. He commended the Cultural Arts Division staff for their work on the People's Gallery exhibition.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and Action Items
 - a. Approve the Final Design by Ken Little for the Lady Bird Lake Boardwalk Trail Art in Public Places Project
Speakers: Christopher Kennedy, The Trail Foundation; Steve Saunders, The Trail Foundation; Brian Ott, The Trail Foundation; Susan Rankin, The Trail Foundation; Ilse Frank, Art in Public Places Panel; Jean Graham, Art in Public Places Program; David Taylor, Public Works Department

Motion: to approve the final design by Ken Little for the Lady Bird Lake Boardwalk Trail Art in Public Places Project

Made by: Wong Mok Seconded by: Tinnon
Vote called: passed 4-2; Members voting aye were Wong Mok, Tinnon, Willenzik, and Barnes.
Members voting nay were Flores and Katz.

b. Approve Artist Selection Process for the Holly Shores Master Plan
Speaker: Kimberly McNeeley, Parks and Recreation Department

Motion: to approve the artist selection process for the Holly Shores Master Plan

Made by: Wong Mok Seconded by: Katz

Vote called: passed 6-0

c. Presentation by First Street Pedestrian Bridge Artwork Donation Working Group
Presentation made by Commissioners Flores and Wong Mok

Motion: to accept the Working Group's recommendation not to accept the artwork donation

Made by: Wong Mok Seconded by: Flores

Vote called: passed 6-0

d. Approve Community Initiatives Program Funding Recommendations
13 CI 13, Dart Music International
13 CI 14 SP, Center for Women & Their Work/Experimental Response Cinema
13 CI 15 SP, Shady Tree Studios/Salvador Castillo

Motion: to approve the Community Initiatives Program funding recommendations

Made by: Flores Seconded by: Katz

Vote called: passed 6-0

e. Discuss Possible Dates and Topics for an Arts Commission Strategic Planning Retreat
No action taken.

F. STAFF BRIEFINGS

Art in Public Places Coordinator Susan Lambe gave an update on the Seaholm Wall Art in Public Places project. Cultural Arts Program Manager Megan Crigger gave updates on current division activities.

G. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Commissioner Flores reported on the African American Community Heritage Festival at Huston-Tillotson University which took place February 23.
2. Chari Barnes reported on his recent visit to Troublemaker Studios where he learned about the economic impact of that film studio.

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the recognition of individuals who established the People's Gallery program

I. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Barnes adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:48 p.m.