

City of Santa Rosa
Art in Public Places Committee
Minutes – July 6, 2009

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Evans at 3:35 p.m. at the Steele Lane Community Center in Santa Rosa, California.

2. Roll Call

Present: Allen, Anderson, Charnofsky, Evans, Fisher, LaBerge, Rabinowitsh, Richardson

Absent: Curiel-Larious, Flock, Gorin, Jang-Poulsen, Sawyer

3. Public Comments – None

4. Approval of Minutes

The June 1, 2009, minutes were accepted as written.

5. Chairperson's Comments/Announcements – None

6. Scheduled Items Presented for Possible Decisions at this Meeting

6.1 Art Program Budget

Richardson commented that with Council approval to changes in the Public Art Policy allowing a broader range of expenditures, was the direction that this committee and staff develop a process for establishing annual expenditure priorities and for receiving and approving funding requests. Staff presented a proposed budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year which included revenue and expenditures as allocated by the committee in the past.

Staff requested that the committee offer feedback on developing a process for future funding opportunities, including an application form that gives a requesting organization the opportunity identify their funding needs and requests. With the committee approval, Allen and Rabinowitsh volunteered to work with staff to formulate a draft process and application format and bring back to the whole committee for further discussion.

At the committee's request, staff will research the agreement made with Seth Minor and report back at the August meeting.

The motion was then made by Anderson, seconded by Fisher, to approve the 2009-2010 budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously by those present.

6.2 Staff Updates

A. Arts District Business Plan and Amended Art Policy Adoption

Richardson reported the Plan and amended Policy were adopted by City Council on June 2, 2009. The Business Plan includes directive to formulate a stakeholder committee.

Staff will begin putting that committee together and give an update report at the August Art in Public Places Committee meeting.

B. Phantom Gallery

Matheny-Schuster reported the gallery has been successfully moved to its new location on 7th Street. The next show, which is a members only show, will soon be opening. Information is listed on the City's website and specific information will be emailed to the Arts Committee.

C. Arts District Projects

Matheny-Schuster reported this program has been going well. She has been doing some radio interviews about the program and is incorporating some suggestions and changes that have come from both the artists and businesses involved.

Also, the call for artists on the Nissan project has gone out and is generating interest and questions. She hopes to have the selection panel assembled in the next few days and should be ready for a detailed report at the August committee meeting.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m. The next meeting of the Art in Public Places Committee is scheduled on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 3:30 p.m. at the Steele Lane Community Center in Santa Rosa, CA.

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