

City of Las Vegas

SPECIAL ARTS COMMISSION
CITY HALL, 400 STEWART AVENUE
CITY CLERKS FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY OF LAS VEGAS INTERNET ADDRESS: www.lasvegasnevada.gov

MINUTES

November 3, 2011
4:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

CHAIR McCOY called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: CHAIR McCOY and MEMBERS PARROT (via teleconference), GROGAN, BLUT (via teleconference), SMITH (via teleconference), RAMIREZ, EPSTEIN, DEANER, and SCHNEIDER

Excused: MEMBERS DENTON, EPSTEIN and NOWAK

NOTE: ELIZABETH HERRIDGE resigned as of 7/12/2011 and her seat will remain vacant until filled.

Also Present: LISA STAMANIS, Cultural Programming Specialist, DEPUTY CITY CLERK ANGELA CROLLI

2. ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW

Minutes:

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE: Meeting noticed and posted at the following locations: City Hall Plaza, 400 Stewart Avenue, Vending Area; City Clerks Bulletin Board, 400 Stewart Avenue, 2nd Floor Skybridge; Clark County Government Center, 500 South Grand Central Parkway; Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North; Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue; Las Vegas Senior Center, 451 East Bonanza Road

3. PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED

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None

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4. [For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the September 15, 2011 meeting](#)

Motion made by CANDY SCHNEIDER to Approve

Passed For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 4

OMAR G. RAMIREZ, STEPHEN GROGAN, ROB McCOY, MAURA K. PARROTT, ARLENE BLUT, NANCY DEANER, MARIO LORNE SMITH JR., CANDY SCHNEIDER; Against-(None); Abstain-(None); Did Not Vote-(None); Excused-ELIZABETH B. HERRIDGE, ALEXANDRA EPSTEIN, ALICE DENTON, GLENN NOWAK

Minutes:

MEMBER PARROT requested that the sentence in Item 9 regarding her comments on an aerial gallery be stricken.

5. [ABEYANCE ITEM - For possible action regarding selection of artist to create trophies for the Mayor's Urban Design Awards \(\\$2,000 - General Fund\) - All Wards](#)

Motion made by STEPHEN GROGAN to Approve the short list and hold in abeyance the selection of the artist to the 11/15/2011 meeting

Passed For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 4

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Minutes:

LISA STAMANIS, City of Las Vegas Cultural Programming Specialist, explained that there had been previous discussions to send out a call to artists, but that no action had been taken. If that call is sent out now and the Commission selected an artist in December, the artist will have through March to complete the piece. She confirmed for CHAIR McCOY that an artist cannot be selected today because there was no call out.

MEMBER PARROT would support a short list and suggested a subcommittee could be put together to make a recommendation for the Commission to vote on at the next meeting.

MEMBER SCHNEIDER agreed there was not enough time to send out a call to artists and a shortlist of artists the Commission is familiar with is appropriate.

MEMBER GROGAN agreed with utilizing a short list.

MEMBER RAMIREZ supports a short list and will email MS. STAMANIS an artist recommendation.

MS. STAMANIS verified that a selection committee already exists, comprising of MEMBERS SCHNEIDER and DEANER. CHAIR McCOY stated he wants to be on the selection committee. MEMBER SCHNEIDER stated she would not be available to participate in the selection committee.

6. [ABEYANCE ITEM - For possible action regarding Arts Commission appointee Elizabeth Herridge \(term expired 8/16/2011\)](#)

Motion made by CANDY SCHNEIDER to Approve the Arts Commission appointee JERRY SCHEFCIK

Passed For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 4

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CHAIR McCOY asked the Commission to make appointment suggestions.

MEMBER PARROT indicated she submitted an interest form to BRETT SPERRY but had not heard back. The Chair stated it would be best to have a face-to-face meeting with MR. SPERRY, but was concerned he might not have the time to work on the Commission.

MEMBER SCHNEIDER indicated she had a Zappos representative in mind, but could not recall his name.

MEMBER RAMIREZ recommended RICHARD DUFFY and RANDY RAMOSA. LISA STAMANIS, City of Las Vegas Cultural Programming Specialist, told him to have them get in touch with her so they can get their interest forms submitted.

MEMBER BLUT suggested contacting MAUREEN BARRETT as she is not currently serving on any boards or commissions. MEMBER DEANER thought MS. BARRETT spends most of her time out of town, and reminded the Commission that MS. BARRETT had already served eight years on this Commission.

CHAIR McCOY stated these individuals needed to be vetted and all forms submitted one week prior to the next meeting.

MEMBER DEANER suggested JERRY SCHEFCIK, and indicated she had recommended him for another board but did not see him listed on the website. She said he was interested, has an art background and would be wonderful.

MEMBER SCHNEIDER recommended moving forward with MR. SCHEFCIK since he was the only applicant with an art background. CHAIR McCOY stated he would support that because MR. SCHEFCIK is well qualified.

7. [Report for possible action regarding a collaborative community-based public art project utilizing donated items from Repurpose America working in partnership with First Friday, LLC - Ward 3 \(Coffin\)](#)

Minutes:

CHAIR McCOY reminded the Commission of a presentation at the last Commission meeting by Repurpose America and stated the biggest concern was storage space.

MEMBER PARROT stated that it would fit Boulder Plaza if a very large tarp could be found. LISA STAMANIS, City of Las Vegas Cultural Programming Specialist, submitted documents for the record and stated they did receive permission to use Boulder Plaza. MEMEBER PARROT voiced concerns with making Boulder Plaza a permanent storage site. MS. STAMANIS suggested that once it was set up, they would want to leave it up for a while. MEMBER PARROT confirmed for the Chair that the booth would operate out of Boulder Plaza.

CHAIR McCOY stated Boulder Plaza could be locked up to mitigate any security issues. MEMBER DEANER explained it may not be lockable, and she voiced concerns on it becoming a shelter of sorts or if it would hold up to the elements. She suggested speaking with some of the plaza neighbors.

MEMBER PARROT explained to the Chair that the booth is currently housed in a large crate; it would be broken up into boxes and would take two truckloads to bring to the plaza, making frequent breakdowns of the booth difficult.

CHAIR McCOY suggested a demonstration to show how to put the booth together and break it down quickly.

MS. STAMANIS said that showcasing artists can be done without this type of display and that smaller booths can be rented for \$75.

CHAIR McCOY supported MEMBER BLUTS suggestion of going back to the First Friday organizers for their help. He also stated there is time before the next meeting to find a place for storage.

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8. [Report for possible action regarding funding and selection of an artist or artist team to design an artistic enhancement for the City of Las Vegas Atrium Building lobby on 333 North Rancho \(Municipal Arts Fund - not to exceed \\$30,000 - Ward 1 \(Tarkanian\)\)](#)

Motion made by NANCY DEANER to Approve

Passed For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 4

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Minutes:

CHAIR McCOY stated the Commission has been asked to see if there is public art appropriate for the City of Las Vegas Development Services Center Atrium Building located on Rancho Drive.

LISA STAMANIS, City of Las Vegas Cultural Programming Specialist, explained that Public Works came to the Commission and has set aside \$30,000 to restore the tile on the fountain and want to move forward as soon as possible. She confirmed for the Chair that they are thinking of matching those funds and the design process will begin immediately with April/May seeing the start of construction. She also explained that this is a Capital Project.

MEMBER DEANER thinks it is terrific that Public Works came to the Commission for the project.

MS. STAMANIS stated she was thinking of using the qualified roster to find an artist if the selection timeline is restricted.

MEMBER GROGAN asked if there was an artist who had an existing piece or nearly complete pieces that could fit the bill.

MEMBER SMITH suggested using a group or team collaboration such as student projects. The CHAIR McCOY said that is a great suggestion but they are on a time constraint.

MS. STAMANIS stated the qualified roster was created through an open call and she does not understand why more artists have not taken advantage of the opportunity it provides.

MEMBER GROGAN suggested using the qualified list and sending out a limited call for existing artworks.

MEMBER RAMIREZ suggested using MEMBER SMITHS group idea.

MEMBER SMITH questioned why it could not be opened up to allow any artist to submit a sample instead of just those on the fast track list. MS. STAMANIS explained that it would have to be reopened to allow for a call out and that the purpose of the qualified roster is to have a pre-approved list of artists that could be drawn from quickly when time constraints are present.

9. [CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION. NO SUBJECT MAY BE ACTED UPON BY THE COMMISSION UNLESS THAT SUBJECT IS ON THE AGENDA AND IS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED](#)

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MEMBER SCHNEIDER provided a brief overview of the art selected for the Smith Center.

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10. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

Meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Angela Crolli, Deputy City Clerk

Lisa Stamanis, Cultural Programming Specialist

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