

City of Las Vegas

PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY HALL, 495 S. MAIN STREET
CITY CLERKS 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY OF LAS VEGAS INTERNET ADDRESS: www.lasvegasnevada.gov

MINUTES

February 21, 2013
3:00 PM

ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF THE ORDER PRESENTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRPERSON. TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION MAY BE COMBINED; AND ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA MAY BE REMOVED OR RELATED DISCUSSION MAY BE DELAYED AT ANY TIME.

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1. [CALL TO ORDER](#)

Minutes:

CHAIR PARROTT called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m.

PRESENT: CHAIR PARROTT and MEMBERS GROGAN, BLUT and SCHEFCIK (arrived at 3:23 p.m.)

EXCUSED: MEMBER DENTON

Also Present: BOB SYLVAIN, Deputy City Attorney, LISA STAMANIS, Cultural Programming Specialist and ANGELA CROLLI, Deputy City Clerk

2. [ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW](#)

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ANNOUNCEMENT MADE: This meeting has been properly noticed and posted at the following locations: City Hall Plaza, 495 South Main Street, 1st Floor, Clark County Government Center, 500 South Grand Central Parkway; Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue; City of Las Vegas Development Services Center, 333 North Rancho Drive

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.

4. [Report for possible action regarding donations of the "Transformation" a sculpture by Sharon Gainsburg; the "Smith Center, a photograph by William Carr; and the "Helen J. Stewart" a sculpture by Benjamin Victor, for inclusion in the City's permanent art collection \(No fiscal impact\) - All Wards](#)

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Motion made by STEPHEN GROGAN to Approve the artwork donations and send recommendation to the Arts Commission for final action

Passed For: 3; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 2

STEPHEN GROGAN, MAURA K. PARROTT, ARLENE BLUT; Against-(None); Abstain-(None); Did Not Vote-(None); Excused-ALICE DENTON, JERRY SCHEFCIK

Minutes:

CHAIR PARROTT referred to images of the sculptures and photograph, which were submitted for the record.

LISA STAMANIS, Cultural Programming Specialist, indicated the "Transformation" sculpture will be located in the Mayors Office and the photograph is hanging on the seventh floor of City Hall. The Helen J. Stewart sculpture will be placed on the second floor of City Hall.

MEMBER GROGAN thanked the artist SHARON GAINSBURG, for the lovely sculpture. MS. GAINSBURG requested that she will personally deliver the sculpture to MAYOR GOODMAN because it represents the Mayor. CHAIR PARROTT indicated that MS. STAMANIS will work with the Mayor' staff in regards to its placement.

MEMBER GROGAN verified that the artwork will have a description label once it is the City's permanent art collection. MS. GAINSBURG indicated that the name of the sculpture will be Transformational Journey of Caroline Goodman".

MEMBER GROGAN expressed concern about receiving donations and not having adequate space to store the artwork. MEMBER BLUT inquired if there is a policy on what is acceptable. MS. STAMANIS remarked that the Public Art Advisory Committee was established to decide what artwork fits into the collection. MEMBER SCHEFCIK verified with CHAIR PARROTT that the total collection is about 500, including outdoor art. He also asked if someone was designated as a collection's manager, to which MS. STAMANIS replied that it is a group effort but CHAIR PARROTT volunteered to input the artwork data. CHAIR PARROTT clarified that the collection includes artwork placed in outdoor facilities, such as art placed in the Police Memorial Park.

MS. STAMANIS suggested having a discussion at future committee meetings regarding the appropriate place to place the artwork, like inside a cultural center. CHAIR PARROTT added that there is a policy on artwork donated to the City.

MEMBER SCHEFCIK suggested that it would be a good idea to review the entire art collection.

5. [Report for possible action regarding ten original paintings by Joseph Watson created for the City of Las Vegas Berkley Square Banner project \(No fiscal impact\) - All Wards](#)

Motion made by MAURA K. PARROTT to Approve that the Public Art Advisory Committee recognizes the original paintings for the Berkley Square Banner Project as art items to be included in the City of Las Vegas Art Collection and send recommendation to the Arts Commission for final action

Passed For: 4; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

STEPHEN GROGAN, MAURA K. PARROTT, ARLENE BLUT, JERRY SCHEFCIK; Against-(None); Abstain-(None); Did Not Vote-(None); Excused-ALICE DENTON

Minutes:

CHAIR PARROTT verified with LISA STAMANIS, Cultural Programming Specialist, that the Berkley Square Banner project came through the Office of Cultural Affairs and she went through the selection process. The artist will provide the City with the originals as they were part of the contract. MS. STAMANIS showed renderings of the banners and indicated that eventually they would need to be framed. The banners already belong to the City and the Committee is recognizing them as part of the City's art collection and maintained by the Arts Commission. The highly successful project in Ward 5 was led by the Historic Preservation and it received recognition. It did not cost the Arts Commission money, except staff time to help with the artist selection.

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MEMBER GROGAN verified with MS. STAMANIS that the artist resides in Nevada and has a gallery in the Arts Factory, and that Cultural Affairs purchased some of his artwork.

6. [Report for possible action regarding an update on pending donations of artwork: LeRoy Spotted Eagle and the Walker Collection \(No fiscal impact\) - All Wards](#)

Motion made by MAURA K. PARROTT to Approve accept the report

Passed For: 4; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

STEPHEN GROGAN, MAURA K. PARROTT, ARLENE BLUT, JERRY SCHEFCIK; Against-(None); Abstain-(None); Did Not Vote-(None); Excused-ALICE DENTON

Minutes:

CHAIR PARROTT reported that the LeRoy Spotted Eagle donation was accepted along with biographical details, as well as a walking stick. In the meantime, his widow is arranging for the framing of the portrait and the walking stick.

MEMBER GROGAN indicated there were some concerns about what to do when people want to contribute personage as artwork to the City, as there is no specific biographical wall to hang things on. LISA STAMANIS, Cultural Affairs Specialist, stated that everything does not have to go in City Hall. MEMBER BLUT suggested including a list of City buildings where the artwork could be placed. MS. STAMANIS replied that the Public Art Advisory Committee should decide where to place the artwork. She might have to reword the form to include other locations where the artwork might be displayed, not just site-specific. MEMBER SCHEFCIK agreed that staff should determine where the artwork will go. MS. STAMANIS added that specific locations cannot be listed because buildings might be demolished and or remodeled.

Regarding the Walker Collection, CHAIR PARROTT indicated that a meeting has been scheduled with MR. WALKER at the West Las Vegas Arts Center to obtain answers to some questions before moving forward with the donation. MR. WALKER donated his collection of West African artifacts specifically for the West Las Vegas Arts Center. MS. STAMANIS added that the artwork has already been embraced by the center. Because policies are relatively new, sometimes these donations have to be formerly accepted into the collection, but before this is done, the donors need to be made aware of this. There needs to be the flexibility of being able to place the artwork anywhere in the City and make sure that it is appropriately accessible to the public. There are some immediate short-term and long-term steps that can be taken, with the understanding that this is a step-by-step process. The first step is getting the artwork displayed and store those pieces that cannot be displayed.

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY BOB SYLVAIN asked if language on the form a donor signs states were the artwork will be placed. MS. STAMANIS indicated that the donation was not formerly accepted, and based on the artwork's value, it will have to go to before City Council for approval. DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY SYLVAIN suggested the form have language stating that attempts will be made to place the artwork at a location requested by the donor, but that staff reserves the right to place it at a different location if circumstances change. MS. STAMANIS suggested having a release form.

MEMBER SCHEFCIK asked if the value of the artwork is based on what the donors perceives it to be. CHAIR PARROTT replied in the affirmative. The assumption is that that is the price if the artwork would be sold in a store. MEMBER SCHEFCIK wondered if the figure should reflect fair market value for insurance or tax purposes or replacement costs. MS. STAMANIS added that all artwork is listed with the City of Las Vegas Risk Management Office and wondered if an appraisal should be provided from the donor. MEMBER SCHEFCIK remarked it could become an issue if artwork is listed at \$25,000 but the insurance company appraises it to be worth only \$5,000.

With regards to MR. WALKER'S donation, CHAIR PARROTT stated that many of the pieces are displayed in the entryway of the community center. These are issues that need to be discussed with MR. WALKER. MEMBER GROGAN suggested that while reviewing the policies a caveat be included that the City have the ability to place the items where ever they choose, as well as have the ability to dispose of them at anytime. DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY SYLVAIN added to include offering the artwork back to the artist. CHAIR PARROTT pointed out that this is a donor who did not create the artwork. MS. STAMANIS indicated that this would apply to those artists who were promised that the artwork would be placed in a certain place and who feel that the artwork was disgraced or devalued; therefore, they can remove their name

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from that work. MEMBER SCHEFCIK suggested language in accepting works of art that it is an unconditional gift and that the museum or whoever receives will keep it for a period of two years and at the end of that period of time they will be able to have access if they want. MS. STAMANIS stated that policies are not detailed but the current policy states that no matter what the artwork's value, it has to go through the Arts Commission.

CHAIR PARROTT asked if artwork that is not reclaimed can be auctioned. MS. STAMANIS replied that she was not certain but would follow up. She added that the art collection needs to be revisited and for those pieces that have not been officially reviewed by the City, the artist should be advised that the artwork is available to be picked up.

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7. 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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None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

Meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Crolli, Deputy City Clerk

Lisa Stamanis, Cultural Programming Specialist

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Las Vegas Senior Center, 451 East Bonanza Road