

MINUTES
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
Thursday, September 17, 2015
City Hall Community Meeting Room
250 Hamilton Ave
7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Mila Zelkha, Ben Miyaji, Amanda Ross, Dara Olmsted
Silverstein, Nia Taylor, Loren Gordon
Commissioners Absent: Jim Migdal
Staff Present: Elise DeMarzo, Public Art Program Director

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chair Miyaji called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m.

AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS – none

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 23, 2015 Moved as Corrected: Commissioner Silverstein, Second: Commissioner Gordon. All in favor.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Staff gave an update on Mobile Arts Platform and their upcoming events, an update on the timeline of events for the new public art on King Plaza, and announced the Mayor's Meet the Street event October 8th.

ACTION:

1. **180 El Camino Real** - Commissioner Silverstein recused herself from the item due to her employment with Stanford University. Chandra Cerrito of Chandra Cerrito Art Advisors gave an overview of the art selection process that led to commissioning artist Brad Howe for the project. Howe gave a presentation of his final art proposals for the site, *Qualia* and *Semillas*. There was some discussion of the playful nature of the work and the role they may play in wayfinding. PAC raised some concerns regarding the climbability of the sculptures and how hot they may get in the sun. **Moved:** To approve the final art plan Ben Miyaji, **6 in Favor. Motion approved.**
2. **430 Forest Avenue** – Presentation of the project by project architect David Solnick and project artist Yoshikawa on the final art plan for the project. The Commission asked questions about the material, durability and coatings on the sculpture. Commissioner Silverstein participated in the discussion, but had to leave the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and did not participate in the vote. **Moved:** Commissioner Zelkha moved that the PAC approve the project as presented. **Second:** Commissioner Ross. **All in Favor. Motion approved.**

3. **Permanent Collection Condition Survey** – Staff discussed the first completed phase of the collection evaluation by ARG Conservation Services and requested \$12,581 for the next phase of the evaluation for all of the remaining permanently sited sculptures in the collection. **Moved:** Vice-Chair Miyaji moved that the PAC approve the funds for the next phase of the collection evaluation. **Second:** Commissioner Zelkha. **All in Favor. Motion approved.**

NON-ACTION:

4. **Comprehensive Plan** – Update by staff and discussion about the updates currently underway on the City's Comprehensive Plan. Staff will follow up with information about the upcoming Comprehensive Plan meetings and the digital commenter link.
5. **Retreat** – Discussion of the outcomes of the retreat held September 11th at the Rinconada Library.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Next Meeting: October 15, 2015
September 24th, Thursday at 12PM - Brown Bag Lunch with Anthony Discenza in Council Community Meeting Room, City Hall.

Meeting adjourned 8:26 PM by Vice Chair Miyaji.