Civic Arts Commission Minutes
Community Chambers Conference Room
February 14, 2005

Commissioners Present: Joanna Stone (Chair), James Allen (Co-Vice Chair), Olivia Lundberg (Co-Vice Chair), Edelgard Brunelle, Suzanna Duffy-Tajeldin, Roy Engoron, Stacey Vetter, Casey Hutchins (alternate)

Staff Present: Esther Polito, Cultural Services Manager, Torreya Cummings, Program Assistant

Chair Stone called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. Approval of agenda. Commissioner Engoron moved, and Commissioner Allen seconded the motion, to approve the agenda.

2. Approval of Minutes Commissioner Brunelle moved, and Commissioner Engoron seconded the motion, to approve the January 2005 minutes as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Communications None.

4. Staff, City Council, Commission Communications:

Commissioner Duffy-Tajeldin informed the Commission about a charity event in which she was participating.

Staff Polito circulated regular correspondence, and described her visit to the San Francisco Waste Transfer Station’s artist in residency program.

5. Art in Private Development Commissioners reviewed preliminary action plan and made small adjustments. Commissioner Vetter reported that she has identified one art consultant who might be interested and continuing to collect names of others. Staff suggested doing a tour of communities that have a similar ordinance, such as Menlo Park, Palo Alto, Dublin, and Emeryville. Staff identified the funding mechanism as a key issue.

6. Juried Art Show Commissioners provided feedback on the 2005 prospectus, and discussed whether or not commissioners should be able to participate in the show or not. Commissioners confirmed that, while not be eligible for awards, but they should be free to participate as artists.
7. Public Art Projects Progress Reports  Staff updated the commission on the status of the Neighborhood Art Projects in progress, and the project at the senior center.

8. Art Contracts Update  Staff distributed additional publicity information for the Davis Film Festival project.

   Action: Commissioner Engoron moved to approve the amount of $900 to fund publicity for the project. Commissioner Lundberg seconded the motion. Motion passed, Commissioner Brunelle abstaining.

9. Public Art Planning  Commissioners discussed planning for future public art projects, and directed staff to confirm budget with finance director. Commissioners suggested meeting with members of the larger art community to discuss possibilities. A subcommittee consisting of Commissioners Brunelle, Duffy-Tajeldin, and Hutchins was formed for further planning and to develop a priority list of sites within the community for public art.

10. Adjourn  Commissioner Engoron moved to adjourn; Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Esther Polito
Cultural Services Manager