

Civic Arts Commission Minutes
Community Chambers Conference Room
Monday, May 12, 2008

Commissioners Present: Casey Hutchins (Chair), Roy Engoron (Vice Chair), Erin Jackson (Alternate) Rebecca Ryland, Robert Smith, Joanna Stone, Stacey Vetter

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Katherine Hess, Community Development Director
Elvia Garcia-Ayala, Community Services Director

Other Present: None

Chairperson Hutchins called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

1. Approval of agenda.

Action: Commissioner Smith moved, and Commissioner Engoron seconded, approval of the agenda as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2008 meeting.

Action: Commissioner Ryland moved, and Commissioner Jackson seconded, approval of the minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Public Communications – None

4. Written Communications

A. Regular art-related publications were circulated.

5. Staff, City Council, Commissioner Communications

A. **City Council Action on Civic Arts Contracts.** Hess reported that the City Council had approved the funding for Civic Arts Contracts as recommended by the Commission.

6. Preparation for Juried Art Show. Commissioners reviewed the schedule and draft postcard distributed by Bob Reich. Commissioners complimented the design of the postcard and made minor technical suggestions. Commissioners accepted slots for receiving submissions and calling artists of work that was accepted. By consensus, Commissioners determined that they should have nametags for the reception on June 13.

- 7. Request for bench at SP Depot be recognized as public art.** Architect John Hammond and artist Sayako Dairiki provided information on the background and philosophy behind the “Valley Seasons Bench” and “East West Stones” at the SP Depot. Hammond requested the benches be recognized as public art pieces and included on the City’s inventory.

Action: Commissioner Stone moved, and Commissioner Engoron seconded, that the Commission recommend the City Council designate the Valley Seasons Bench and East West Stones as public art. Motion approved unanimously.

- 8. Review of upcoming capital improvement projects and future art activities.** Commissioners reviewed the list of proposed capital improvement projects for Fiscal Year 2008-09, with a request to determine whether any of the projects would be appropriate for inclusion of public art. No action.

- 9. Adjourn** The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m. to the meeting of June 9, with agenda items to include a review of the Civic Arts Contract process and a discussion of the Public Art Walking Tour and Gallery Guide.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Hess
Community Development Director