

**Civic Arts Commission Minutes**  
**Community Chambers Conference Room**  
**Monday, June 9, 2008**

**Commissioners Present:** Roy Engoron (Vice Chair), Erin Jackson (Alternate) Rebecca Ryland, Robert Smith, Joanna Stone (7:40), Stacey Vetter

**Commissioners Absent:** Casey Hutchins (Chair) (excused)

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

**Other Present:** Civic Arts Coordinator Bob Reich, Pence Gallery  
Don Saylor and John Mott-Smith (Item 8 only)

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Vice-Chairperson Engoron called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**1. Approval of agenda.**

**Action:** Commissioner Stone moved, and Commissioner Ryland seconded, approval of the agenda as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

**2. Approval of Minutes from May 12, 2008 meeting.**

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

**3. Public Communications – None**

**4. Written Communications**

**A.** Regular art-related publications were circulated. Commissioners noted the Davis Enterprise feature on public art from Sunday, June 1, 2008.

**5. Staff, City Council, Commissioner Communications**

**A. Arts Contribution for Capital Projects.** Hess reported that the budgets for two wells and a water storage tank would include a 1% contribution to the Municipal Arts Fund, but staff was not proposing to incorporate public art into those three specific projects.

**B. Transition to Community Services Department.** Elvia Garcia-Ayala provided an update on the recruitment for Community Services staff.

- 6. Continued Preparation for Juried Art Show.** Vetter reported on the results of the jurying. Commissioner confirmed presence at and responsibilities for the reception on June 13. Vetter noted a need to remind those handling the art that frames should be arranged face-to-face to minimize damage to the pieces.

**Action: By consensus, Commissioners concluded that the entry forms for the Juried Art Show were too complex and should be streamlined next year.**

**7. Review of Arts Contract Process**

- 10. Civic Arts Coordinator Bi-Annual Report.** By consensus, the Commission combined the discussion of these two items. Commissioners reviewed the report and recommendations prepared by Civic Arts Coordinator Reich. The Commission discussed roles of the Commission, city staff, and the Pence Gallery.

**Action: By consensus, Commissioners supported the suggested changes to the final arts contract reports; a goal of having a workshop for potential applicants to strengthen proposals and allow artists to communicate with each other; and a return to the usual schedule of reviewing arts grants in the fall.**

- 8. Future Public Art Activities (Global Warming).** Councilmember Saylor and Climate Action Team Member Mott-Smith reported on funding that would be made available from PG&E for creation of an art piece to visualize the community's progress in reducing energy use. Saylor and Mott-Smith requested the Commissioner appoint a sub-committee to work on a plan for presentation to PG&E by October.

**Action: By consensus, Commissioners Engoron, Jackson, and Vetter were selected as the Commissioner subcommittee. Staff was asked to schedule a meeting with the subcommittee; Saylor; Mott-Smith; and representatives from PG&E and the Yolo Arts Council.**

- 9. Walking Art Tour.** Reich presented a status report on the effort to update the Public Art brochure. Commissioners discussed the need for an updated list, the time and money required for a printed brochure, and the need for good design in the final product.
- 11. Adjourn** The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m. to the meeting of July 14, with agenda items to include a review of the proposals for murals at the Varsity Theater and a continued discussion of the Public Art Walking Tour and Gallery Guide.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Hess  
Community Development Director