



**Civic Arts Commission  
Minutes  
Monday, July 14, 2008**

**Commissioners Present:** Roy Engoron (Vice Chair), Erin Jackson (Alternate), Robert Smith, Joanna Stone, Stacey Vetter  
**Commissioners Absent:** Casey Hutchins, Rebecca Ryland  
**Staff Present:** Katherine Hess, Community Development Director  
Elvia Garcia-Ayala, Community Services Director  
**Council Liaison:** Don Saylor

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Vice Chairperson Engoron called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

**1. Approval of agenda.**

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

**2. Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2008 meeting.**

**Action:** Commissioner Vetter 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. **Juried Art Show.** Commissioner Vetter informed the commission of several recommendations related to the juried art show. She has prepared a document with the recommendations and instructions for future shows and will give it to Chairperson Hutchins.

**6. Murals at Varsity Theatre.** Staff, K. Hess presented an overview of the staff report and recommendations. Staff, Ken Hiatt made a presentation on the proposed murals and provided information about the artists being considered for the project.

**Action:** Commissioner Stone moved, and Commissioner Smith seconded, that the Commission recommend approval of the staff recommendations to use the civic arts

**contribution from the Varsity Theatre second screen construction project for the murals art project inside the theatre and to contract with Ewing & Germano as the artists for the project. The motion passed 5-0-0.** Commissioners J. Stone and R. Engoron volunteered to work with staff K. Hiatt as commission liaisons on the project.

7. **Schedule for 2009 Arts Contracts.** Civic Art Coordinator Bob Reich presented a review of the timeline for the upcoming Arts Contracts funding cycle and gathered input and suggestions for changes from the commission.
8. **Sustainability Art Project (Subcommittee report).** Commissioners S. Vetter, Roy Engoron and Erin Jackson reported on the meeting held with the work group to plan for the art piece to be developed with the grant offered by PG&E.

**Action: Commissioner Stone moved, and Commissioner Jackson seconded, that the Commission recommend approval of up to \$15,000 from the City's Municipal Arts Fund towards the proposed sustainability art project. The motion passed 5-0-0.**

9. **Walking Art Tour.** Bob Reich reported on the status of the updated public art walking tour brochure, and requested policy direction from the Commission on funding from the City, businesses and others. The commission requested that proofs of the brochure be brought back to the commission's next meeting and requested that staff research information on city funding available for the production of the brochure.
10. **Adjourn .**The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. to the meeting of September 8, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Elvia García-Ayala  
Community Services Director