



**Civic Arts Commission
Minutes
Monday, February 13, 2012
7:15 p.m.**

Commissioners Present: Nikhil Joshi (Chair), Marieke DeWaard (Vice Chair), Susan Brady (Alternate), Nina Gatewood, Jane Higgins, Casey Hutchins
Commissioners Absent: Mary Anne Ingenthron, Carrie Whitecotton
Staff: Carrie Dyer, Community Services Supervisor
Council Liaison: Dan Wolk

1. Approval of agenda.

Action: Commissioner Hutchins moved and Vice Chair DeWaard seconded approval of the agenda as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes from January 9, 2012.

Action: Chair Joshi moved and Commissioner Hutchins seconded approval of the minutes as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public communications. None.

4. Written Communications.

A. Regular art-related publications were circulated.

5. Request for Commission Support of Downtown Art. Stephen Nowicki and Michael Bisch requested conceptual support from the Civic Art Commission for a Downtown Gateway Artwork / Richards Tunnel community project. They proposed a beautification of the south Tunnel entrance that is intended to provide artistic insight to visitors of some of the Davis community's identifying characteristics and values.

Action: Commissioner Brady moved to have the Civic Art Commission provide conceptual support to the project, with the Commission being kept informed of steps along the way prior to the final review before City Council. Commissioner DeWaard seconded the motion.

Commissioner Hutchins proposed a friendly amendment to have the finished concept come back before the Civic Art Commission as an agenized item. Commissioner Brady accepted amendment.

Motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Hutchins, Brady, Gatewood, Higgins, DeWaard

Noes: Joshi

6. **Davis Downtown Business Association Requests Commission Support in Fostering an Arts and Entertainment Community.** The DDBA requested that the Civic Art Commission formally join in an alliance to foster a robust arts & entertainment community with the downtown as a hub and spokes extending throughout the community.

Action: Chair Joshi moved to have the Civic Art Commission become a part of the alliance to foster a downtown arts and entertainment district with Vice Chair DeWaard being the representative for the Commission.

Motion passed unanimously with Commissioner Gatewood recusing herself due to conflict of interest.

7. **Third Street Public Art.** The Commission received a report from Chair Joshi on the final interviews of the public art component of the Third Street Project and considered a motion to accept the final recommendation.

Action: Commissioner Hutchins moved and Commissioner Brady seconded approval of the selection committee's decision to select Mark Grieve and Ilana Spector as the artists for the Third Street Project.

Motion passed unanimously.

8. **Staff, City Council, Commission communications.**

A. Vice Chair DeWaard updated the Commission on the Open Art Studio project.

B. Staff C. Dyer updated the Commission on the GATEway project and announced that 5 finalists were selected by the committee for individual interviews.

C. Staff C. Dyer announced that the joint City Council and Civic Art Commission meeting will be at 5:30 on April 3.

D. Commissioner Hutchins requested putting the topic of Private Art on Public Property as an agenda item for the next meeting.

9. **Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. to the next regular meeting of March 12, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Dyer

Community Services Supervisor