



**Civic Arts Commission
Minutes
Monday, September 10, 2012**

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

1. Approval of agenda.

Action: Commissioner Ingenthron moved and Commissioner Hutchins seconded approval of the agenda as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes from June 11, 2012.

Action: Chair Joshi moved and Commissioner Hutchins seconded approval of the minutes from June 2012 with the amendment that Commissioner Gatewood be marked absent from that meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public communications.

A. Steve Innes stated that the director for the Nelson Gallery has retired.

4. Written Communications.

A. Regular art-related publications were circulated.

5. West Valley Barbershop Chorus Award Committee. The West Valley Barbershop Chorus requested a Commission representative to aid in the selection of a recipient for Harmony in Our Lives award. Vice Chair DeWaard volunteered to serve on the committee.

6. Staff, City Council, Commission communications.

- A.** Staff C. Dyer provided information on final reports from 2011 Art Contract Awardees, including the Taking it to the Streets project, the Davis Poetry Anthology, and the Seeds of Hope project.
- B.** Staff C. Dyer updated the Commission on the GATEway Project, stating the contract for land use is currently being reviewed by the City Attorney and that the artist has signed a contract for install in September 2013.
- C.** Staff C. Dyer updated the Commission on the Utility Box Project. City attorney has approved waiver.
- D.** Staff C. Dyer provided an update to the potential Cultural Arts and Entertainment District. The Commission raised questions about grants, hotel tax and if the arts contracts will be able to be reinstated.
- E.** Staff C. Dyer updated the Commission regarding the location status search for the Solar Filling Station.
- F.** New Commission Recruitments were being accepted.
- G.** The Commission was notified of the Poet Laureate Ceremony which was held on September 25.
- H.** The Commission received an updated on the Municipal Art Fund staff review.

I. Chair Joshi updated the Commission on his 1x1 meeting with the City Manager. They discussed possible sources of funding as well as the possibility of the arts contracts getting reinstated.

J. Vice Chair DeWaard stated that the Open Door Art Studios would not be opening. However a new plan for artists in that location was in the works.

7. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting of October 8, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carrie Dyer
Community Services Supervisor