

City of Davis Civic Arts Commission Minutes Community Chambers

23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, CA 95616 Monday, December 14, 2015 7:15 p.m.

Commission Members Present: Casey Hutchins (Chair), Jane Higgins, Nikhil Joshi, Samantha McCarthy, Piper Milton, Carol Smith, Sarah Zimmerman

Commission Members Absent: None

Staff: Carrie Dyer, Community Engagement & Cultural Services

Rachel Hartsough, Arts & Culture Manager

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

• Meeting called to order at 7:15.

2. Approval of Agenda

Action: Commissioner Zimmerman moved and Commissioner McCarthy seconded approval of the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons

A. Welcome New Commissioners

4. Public Comment

Robin Kozloff spoke during comment. She was present representing the grant application submitted from the Davis Manor Neighborhood Street Mural.

5. Consent Calendar

A. Minutes from October 12, 2015. No meeting on November 9, 2015. **Action:** Commissioner Hutchins moved and Commissioner Higgins seconded approval of the minutes from October 12, 2015 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Regular Items

- **A. New Civic Arts Commissioners**. Brief introductions of new members.
- **B. Proposed Gandhi Sculpture.** The Commission received a proposal from Sham Goyal to consider accepting a gift of public art to the City owned collection. The sculpture of Gandhi is made of bronze, stands 6'4" not including a pedestal, and is proposed for a location in the North side of Central Park. A pedestal with quotes about Gandhi is planned to be incorporated into the final design.

Action: Commissioner Zimmerman moved and Commissioner Smith seconded to move forward with the proposal for the standing Gandhi statue, in the location requested in the north part of Central Park, pending review and approval of the Recreation and Parks Commission and other appropriate City departments, and subject to engineering requirements and ADA compliance.

Commissioner Smith proposed a friendly amendment to stipulate no higher than a 2 foot pedestal be placed beneath the statue. Commissioner Zimmerman did not accept the amendment.

Commissioner McCarthy proposed a friendly amendment stating that the Civic Arts Commission move forward with the proposal for the standing Gandhi statue, in the location requested in the north part of Central Park, pending approval of the Recreation and Parks Commission and other appropriate City departments, and subject to engineering requirements and ADA compliance. An appropriately sized pedestal will be determined at a later date pending engineering best practices. Commissioner Zimmerman accepted the amendment.

Motion passed unanimously.

C. City of Davis Community Art Grants. The Commission discussed and began the review process of the 2015 grant applications.

Carrie Dyer reviewed history of grants, and process for this year. Commissioners have been requested to submit comments and score sheets to Carrie Dyer by Friday, December 18th at noon. Carrie will forward all questions to applicants in order to get responses back to review at the next meeting on January 11th, along with rankings and comments.

7. Commission and Staff Communications

8. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned to the next regular meeting of January 11, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted, Rachel Hartsough

Arts & Culture Manager City of Davis