



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MINUTES

**COMMISSION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE
PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE**

Civic Center Plaza
1200 Third Avenue, Floor 9, Suite 924
San Diego, CA 92101
Thursday, May 31, 2012
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

PAC Members Present

Larry Baza
Kevin deFreitas
Vernon Franck
Joanne Hayakawa
Lillian Perry
Vicki Reed
Constance Y. White
Allison Wiese

PAC Members Absent

Roman de Salvo
Laurie Mitchell

Commission Staff Present

Dana Springs

PAC Ex Officio Members Present

Alissa Gabriel
Nazie Mansury

PAC Ex Officio Members Absent

Michelle Abella-Shon
Kim Duclou
Michael Marks
Theresa Millette
Stephanie Pang
Yvonne Wise

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- I. Call to Order**
The Public Art Committee (PAC) of the City of San Diego (City) Commission for Arts and Culture's (Commission) was called to order by Larry Baza at 12:07 p.m.
- II. Non-Agenda Public Comment**
None.
- III. Chair's Report**

1. FY13 Commission Budget – Baza asked Vicki Reed to give the report. Reed reported that the Mayor and City Council have indicated that they will support a 5% increase to the Commission’s FY13 budget (to be primarily used for allocations to local arts and culture organizations) and an allocation of \$50,000 to the Public Art Fund (to be used primarily for management of the City’s art collection and repair of artworks in Balboa Park before the 2015 centennial celebration).
2. Port of San Diego Public Art Committee – Baza reported that the Port's Public Art Committee is currently developing project plans for several public art programs and exhibitions on tidelands in alignment with the Port's Curatorial Strategy.
3. Other Reports – Baza reported that the Westin Gaslamp Quarter has completed the removal of a damaged public sculpture by Luis Jimenez and the installation of a new public sculpture titled “Flame Flower” by Michael Stutz. Baza congratulated both the Westin’s art consultant, Gail Goldman and the staff of the Westin for their accomplishments. Baza explained that the installation of a public artwork at this site is controlled by a development disposition agreement created by the Centre City Development Corporation (CCDC). Therefore, the selection of the artist and the artwork is not subject to review by the PAC and the Commission.
4. Next Meeting – Baza polled PAC members about their availability to attend the next PAC meeting scheduled for July 5. Due to the majority of members planning to travel for the Independence Day holiday, Baza recommended to Commission staff that the July 5 PAC meeting be canceled.

IV. ACTION – April 5, 2012 Minutes

Approved by unanimous consent.

V. ACTION – Area-Specific Public Art Plan: Horton Plaza

Dana Springs summarized the plan and Commission staff’s recommendation to approve the plan in concept. Mark Caro and Eli Sanchez of CCDC summarized additional project background. **Joanne Hayakawa made a motion** to recommend to the Commission that the plan be approved in concept with edits designed to increase flexibility in the implementation of the plan. **Kevin deFreitas seconded the motion.** The vote was 8-0-0.

Yea: Baza, deFreitas, Franck, Hayakawa, Perry, Reed, White, Wiese (8)

Nay: (0)

Abstention: (0)

Recusal: (0)

VI. Staff Reports

1. Aztec Brewery Collection – Springs reported that KPBS and Voice of San Diego published a two-part radio and print story about the collection.
2. La Jolla Shores Lifeguard Tower – Springs reported that a new public artwork by “Shorelines” by Mary Lynn Dominguez has been completed and accessioned into the City’s art collection although the lifeguard tower construction won’t be completed until December 2012.
3. Ocean Beach Comfort Station – Springs reported that the start of artwork fabrication by artist Shinpei Takeda is imminent and the anticipated completion date is June 24.

4. Other Reports – Springs reported that New Central Library architect Rob Quigley has been in talks with artist Roy McMakin to create a signature chair for the New Central Library and this initiative is totally separate from McMakin’s contract with the City for a public art commission. Springs reported that Gary Hill’s artwork proposal for the New Central Library has been modified from a series of desktop screensavers to a series of wall-mounted LED monitors on Floor 4 among the fiction stacks, City TV offices and IT offices.

IX. Member Reports

1. Allison Wiese reported that the latest addition to The Stuart Collection at UC San Diego, “Fallen Star” by Do Ho Suh, opens to the public on June 7, with a meet-the-artist event from 1-5 p.m.

X. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.