



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MINUTES

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

Civic Center Plaza, Suite 924
1200 Third Avenue, 92101
Thursday, December 4, 2008

PAC Members Present

Randy Robbins
Victoria Reed
Anne Marie Purkey Levine
Mathieu Gregoire
Joanne Hayakawa
Tina Yapelli
Roman de Salvo

PAC Members Absent

Michael Krichman
Constance White

Commission Staff Present

Dana Springs
Christine Jones

PAC Ex Officio Members Present

Jean Cameron
Kim Duclou
Alissa Gabriel
Bobbi Salvini
Catherine Sass

PAC Ex Officio Members Absent

Michael Marks
Brent Lindberg
Alex Garcia
Genevieve DePerio
Lucy Contreras
Nazie Mansury

I. CALL TO ORDER & CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City of San Diego (City) Commission for Arts and Culture's (Commission) Public Art Committee (PAC) meeting was called to order by Randy Robbins at 12:05 p.m.

Robbins announced that he joined with Commissioners Victoria Reed and Courtney Coyle to send a letter to City Council advocating for the appointment of an arts supporter to the Board of Port Commissioners. The Board of Port Commissioners is composed of seven members each representing a city within the Port's jurisdiction. The City of San Diego has three representatives on the Port board. In November, San Diego City Council voted to appoint Scott Peters and to reappoint Laurie Black. Peters replaces Sylvia Rios. This is Black's second term. The third San Diego representative is Steve Cushman who will also assume the role of the board chair in January for a one-year term.

Robbins asked Dana Springs to provide an overview of the Commission's recent adoption of amendments to its bylaws, the Rules and Regulations. Springs explained that, in response to City Council's recent adoption of amendments to the municipal code which establishes the Commission, the Commission approved amendments to the Rules and Regulations which specify modifications to the function, structure and membership of all the Commission's committees including the Public Art Committee. The most significant changes are:

- Increase from 9 to 10 maximum members. Now up to four Commissioners may serve on the PAC, whereas the previous limit was three. The number of community representatives remains at six.
- The position of Vice Chair has been codified for each Commission committee including the PAC.
- Member terms have been changed from a maximum of two consecutive two-year terms to up to three one-year terms with an option for a fourth one-year term under special circumstances.
- Committee officers may serve up to three one-year terms with an option for a fourth one-year term under special circumstances.
- Regular meetings have been changed from not less than every other month to not less than six times per year.
- The members and officers of each Commission committee must be appointed by the Commission Chair and ratified by the Commission. When the structure of a Commission committee calls for community members in addition to Commissioners, Commission staff will propose a slate of community members for the Commission Chair to consider for appointment.
- Until otherwise stipulated, the information contained in the Public Art Committee Handbook holds true only as long as it is in alignment with the Commission's updated Rules and Regulations.
- The Commission will review and/or update the structure, functions, membership and officers once per year, typically in December, to take effect in January. The Commission Chair is in the process of conducting this review now. Any changes to the Public Art Committee will be known in late December and will take effect in January.

II. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

III. ACTION – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Victoria Reed made a motion to approve the September 4, 2008 minutes. **Anne Marie Purkey Levine seconded the motion.** The vote was 6-0-0.

Mathieu Gregoire arrived at 12:20 p.m., following the vote on the minutes.

IV. FISCAL YEAR 2009 PUBLIC ART WORK PLAN

Springs gave an overview of the FY09 Public Art Work Plan and also provided updates on the City Council's recent adoption of amendments to the municipal code section which establishes the Commission. Springs also provided updates on the status of the proposed

amendments to the City's donations policy, and the status of the Mayor's proposed budget cuts which include cuts to the Commission's Public Art Fund and one full time staff position.

V. DRAFT COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT POLICY

Christine Jones provided an overview of the draft collections management policy. The PAC discussed the collecting mission and the scope of the collection and recommended that staff make revisions to both. Staff will present the revisions at the February 2009 PAC meeting.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A. **North Embarcadero Visionary Plan** – Springs presented Pae White's art proposal and explained that the North Embarcadero Visionary Plan Public Art Committee (NEVP PAC) and the North Embarcadero Joint Powers Authority Board have both approved the art proposal. The artist is currently working with architects and engineers to transition the art proposal into construction drawings.

Robbins requested that all other staff reports be given at the next PAC meeting.

VII. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **North Embarcadero Visionary Plan Public Art Committee** – Reed reported that the work of the NEVP PAC is going to gradually go temporarily dormant while the construction of NEVP Phase One gets underway. However, new members will be appointed in January to fill gaps left by natural attrition. Currently the NEVP PAC is composed of nine members, three representatives each from the City, the Port and the Centre City Development Corporation (CCDC). The City will review and replace at least one of the three (Mary Beebe whose term has expired). CCDC will review and replace at least one of the three (Betti-Sue Hertz who has taken a job in San Francisco). And the Port will replace at least two of the three (George Palermo and Anthony Block who are both termed out). The City's representatives will be appointed by the Chair of the Commission and ratified by the Commission.

Robbins requested that all other subcommittee reports be given at the next PAC meeting.

VIII. MEMBER REPORTS

None.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

X. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.