

**ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 4, 2018
3:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bonos at 3:34pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members present: Anderson, Bonos, Bryant, Kiefer, Puentes, Younglove

Committee Members absent: Darling

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the May 7, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted.

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS

5.1 DEPOT PARK PUBLIC ART PROJECT FINAL DESIGN

Staff will present two options for the final design of the art bench in Depot Park.

Recommended Action: Selection of one final design

Staff presented two options generated by artist during final design phase. Option 1 places a round bench equidistant from the palm tree and existing Peanuts sculpture. Option 2 places a linear bench in the same location. Both bench designs are in the style of old time wooden railroad station benches with historical images the back rest. Staff shared that Parks staff will provide final landscape design. Once final design is approved, staff will provide artist with hi-resolution scans of historic photographs. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments:

Mike Montague, President of the Historic Railroad Square Association, stated it's critical to know the landscaping plan before selecting artwork. He presented a drawing by Mr. Carlile of a roundabout with a central place for welcoming art.

Lynda Angell, Railroad Square property owner, is excited about an art piece at the right time, but concerned about a design that would encourage homeless to occupy the area.

Dick Carlile encouraged the Committee to consider the big picture of how the depot works in conjunction with local business and travelers. He added that the park master plan should tell the story of the park and that the addition of a traffic round-about would be a great place for public art.

Discussion ensued regarding the Committee's request to see final landscape plans prior to selecting the final artwork design.

Anderson moved that in response to the public comments for a comprehensive plan integrating art, landscaping and paving, no final artwork design is approved at this time.

Bryant seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5.2 PROCEDURES FOR EVALUATING AND ACCEPTING GIFTS OF ARTWORK IN RESPONSE TO THE FIRES

Staff presented a final draft of procedures for evaluating gifts of artwork and criteria for reviewing artwork related to the fires.

Recommended Action: Approval of procedures

Kiefer moved to approve as written.

Bryant seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5.3 COLORFUL STREETS

Judy Kennedy presented a community art project proposed for the street triangle at a Healdsburg Ave and B Street in front of Brew Coffee. The Transportation & Public Works Department has approved this location for street art.

Recommended Action: Approval of artwork design

Anderson moved to approve as presented.

Seconded by Puentes. Motion passed unanimously.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Younglove announced that she is resigning from the committee, effective after this meeting.

6.1 Events attended

Bryant: Lost Santa Rosa and Time & Place exhibits at the Sonoma County Museum

Puentes: history lectures at Sonoma County Museum

Kiefer: Pride Parade & Festival

Bonos: spent a month in Washington, DC and visited many museums

6.2 Upcoming events

Puentes: Railroad Square Music Festival on 6/10

Bonos: one more weekend for Art at the Source

Younglove: Eric Castro Harvest Series in the fall at Sonoma Academy

7. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Art in Public Places Committee on July 2, 2018 has been cancelled.

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