



City of Santa Rosa

City Hall
100 Santa Rosa Ave.,
Mayors Conference Room
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Art in Public Places Committee Special Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 27, 2018

3:30 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bonos at 3:37pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Member Anderson arrived at 3:44pm.

Present: 5 - Chair Nina Bonos, Vice Chair Lisa Puentes, Committee Member Katherine Anderson, Committee Member Zack Darling, and Committee Member Kristin Kiefer

Absent: 1 - Committee Member Monica Bryant

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 June 4, 2018 Regular meeting minutes

The minutes from the June 4, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted.

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS

5.1 Storm Drain Art

Stephanie Lennox, an environmental educator working with the City of Santa Rosa Creek Stewardship Program, will present a grant-funded collaborative art project with Artstart proposed for storm drains.

Recommended Action: Input on artwork design

Alistair Bleifuss reviewed the Creek Stewardship Program and introduced environmental educator Stephanie Lennox who coordinates over 100 different youth groups and works with 40+ schools. Lennox provided samples of 'fish' artwork created by ArtStart's youth program that will label storm drains to highlight the "Streets are Creeks" campaign and discourage dumping in storm drains. The initial installation will consist of 3-5 storm drains and there is the possibility of expanding. Discussion ensued supporting the project and regarding tracking the success and longevity of the artwork

5.2 Fire Response Project Plan & RFP

Staff will present a draft project plan and RFP for temporary public art projects in response to the wildfires.

Recommended Action: Discussion, approval of Project Plan and RFP

Staff introduced the project plan and RFP, asked for feedback and a discussion ensued. It was suggested that this initial call for artists is "Round One" of the project, with the second round to be announced next year.

Anderson moved to approve with changes as noted. Kiefer seconded and motion passed unanimously.

5.3 Courthouse Square Project Planning

Staff will reintroduce the Courthouse Square Public Art Project and facilitate a discussion to determine project goals and RFQ process. The Committee last discussed this topic at the October 2017 meeting.

Recommended Action: Discussion

Staff reviewed the Courthouse Square Public Art Project, the projected budget for the project and posed questions to consider when initiating a new project: Why art at this site, what kind of art, who decides, who plans, where is the art in context of this site, etc. Next steps will involve advisory committee, stakeholders, planning educational presentations on public art, surveys, organizing visioning workshops and charrettes. Discussion ensued. Interim Director Caluha Barnes stated that the Community Advisory Board has scheduled multiple 'open houses' that other City departments may use as a forum for their own presentations. Staff will research opportunities the Committee may be able to participate in.

6. PROJECT UPDATES

Staff provided updates as follows:

COFFEY PARK: A neighborhood meeting was held on August 4, 2018 with about 40-50 in attendance to discuss the master planning process. The next public meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2018.

DEPOT PARK: No final design has been selected. Designs were presented to the Board of Community Services (BOCS) on June 27, 2018 for input on proposed landscaping. BOCS requested a more detailed landscaping plan.

ZAG: The artist's contract was finalized in mid-July and the anticipated completion of the project is late Fall.

METER MADE: Installation was July 15, 2018 and the LED programming was completed at the end of July. A plaque will be installed followed by a dedication in late September.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

7.1 Events attended

Darling: Vancouver art, dedication of Paradise Ridge, opening Los Angeles office in Culver City

Kiefer: Sonoma County Art Museum and History Museum

Puentes: Manhattan and Washington Heights 'protest art', Dominican Culture and Black & Latino art

Bonos: De Young Art Museum exhibit on the machine age

7.2 Upcoming events

None noted

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bonos adjourned the meeting at 5:34pm. The next regular meeting of the Art in Public Places Committee scheduled for Monday, September 3, 2018, has been cancelled.

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