



# City of Madison

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### MADISON ARTS COMMISSION

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Tuesday, October 24, 2006

5:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Room LL-110 Madison Municipal Building

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**Present:** Tim Gruber, Michael K. Bridgeman, Celia A. Klehr, Patty Elson, Leslee J. Nelson, Jose J. Madera and Constance M. Kilmark

**Excused:** Maureen Janson Heintz, Norma M. Sober, Dan S. Curd and Scott B. Thornton

*City of Madison Staff in Attendance: Bill Fruhling, Karin Wolf*

*Registered Guest: Troy Theil*

*Elson left before consideration of the BLINK Proposals.*

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

*Michael Bridgeman called the meeting to order.*

*Karin Wolf was introduced as the new Arts Program Administrator.*

#### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

*Madison resident and member of the Downtown Coordinating Committee, Troy Theil, suggested a possible public art opportunity with the Midvale Plaza redevelopment. Mr. Theil also spoke of his desire for the City to adopt a policy wherein any new construction that exceeds a certain budgetary amount is required to reserve a percentage of the development budget for art.*

#### III. \*APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 6, 2006

A motion was made by Klehr, seconded by Nelson, to Approve the Minutes as submitted. The motion passed by acclamation.

#### IV. MAIN ORDER OF BUSINESS

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Accepting ownership of the Capitol Square Fountains located at Carroll and West Washington Streets.

*Klehr asked Fruhling to report on the leakage and the lighting condition, as those factors delayed prior approval of the fountains. Fruhling reported that City Engineering and the State Street Mall Crew did a walk through of the fountains and reported their satisfaction that the fountains were in proper working order.*

A motion was made by Gruber, seconded by Elson, to **RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER**. The motion passed by acclamation.

Consideration of possible public art projects: Frances Plaza water feature and the Spray Park

*Fruhling presented a possible public art project for the MAC at Frances Plaza where the State Street Oversight Committee has identified a location for a water feature. The State Street Oversight Committee might be interested in inviting the MAC to oversee this component of the project, which would be funded by the State Street Budget.*

*Kilmark stated that the project would need to be well coordinated with the State Street*

*Oversight Committee. Gruber questioned the necessity of incorporating a water feature and the location of the work. Madera voiced concern about public safety during large public events, such as Halloween and campus athletic events. He emphasized that the design must be durable and vandal proof.*

*Elson made a motion that the Madison Arts Commission offer to manage the process for installing a public art project in Frances Plaza with the understanding that funding will come from the State Street Project and the amount of such funding is determined to be adequate and mutually agreeable between the Madison Art Commission and the State Street Oversight Committee. Gruber seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

*Fruhling presented a possible project at the Lincoln Spray Park.*

*Klehr made a motion that the Madison Arts Commission puts \$10,000 towards a public art project in Lincoln Spray Park. Kilmark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

\* **BLINK proposals**

*Three proposals were reviewed. Two were approved for funding.*

*"Art Kiosk in the Mall" by Dave Beck: Bridgeman, Klehr, Madera, Kilmark, Gruber opposed funding; Nelson supported. Funding Denied.*

*"Visualizing TRANS" by Nicole Gruter: Kilmark, Klehr, Nelson, Bridgeman supported funding; Madera, Gruber abstained; Funding of Gruter's Blink proposal approved at \$ 595. Contingent on : 1) the application being submitted by the original deadline; and 2) there are not policies prohibiting grants being awarded to a non-City of Madison resident (even though project will occur in the City).*

*"Wear It" by Megan Lotts: Bridgeman, Madera, Kilmark, Gruber, Nelson supported funding; Klehr abstained; Funding of Lotts' proposal approved at \$1500 contingent on " Madison Arts Commission" appearing in Bold lettering on the shirt.*

**Update on the Madison 150 markers**

*Fruhling reported that the markers will soon be in production and will be completed four weeks from that date. They are anticipated to be installed in January.*

**V. SCHEDULE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Exhibition Sub-Committee**

*The Exhibition Sub-Committee will meet on Wednesday, November 15 at 5:00pm in LL 130. Leslee Nelson joined the Exhibition Sub-committee.*

**Ad-hoc Committee on Cultural Arts Plan**

*Celia Klehr resigned from the Cultural Plan Ad-hoc Committee. Monday, November 13 at 5:00 in LL 110 is the tentative meeting time for the Cultural Arts Plan Committee. The time and date will be confirmed via e-mail.*

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.*