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Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON ARTS COMMISSION

Tuesday, December 18, 2007

5:00 PM

Rm. GR 27 City County Bldg.,
210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Celia Klehr, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order
Staff Karin Wolf, Intern Isaac Walters also in attendance

Present: 7 -

Celia A. Klehr; Norma M. Sober; Karen McLaughlin; Leslee J. Nelson; Jose J. Madera; Constance M. Kilmark and John Nicholas Schweitzer

Absent: 1 -

Thomas J. Farley

Excused: 3 -

Tim Gruber; Michael K. Bridgeman and Patty Elson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Sober, to Approve the November 13, 2007 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

1. [08212](#) Recognizing the honorary position of Madison Poet Laureate.

A motion was made by Schweitzer, seconded by Sober, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [08044](#) Frances Plaza Public Art

Archie Nicolette from planning was asked to provide the historical context for the creation of a water feature at Frances Plaza. He described the planning process that began in 1997. It was determined that a water feature would add a sense of adventure and an extra layer of interest to the streetscape.

A motion was made by Sober, seconded by Kilmark, to run the artist/team/company selection process for the Frances Plaza Public Art Project in two phases. In the first phase we should have the Public Art Standing Committee review the applicants who responded to the RFQ and select three to five semi-finalists to develop proposals for the space. During the second phase, a mayorally appointed selection committee shall review the semi-finalist's proposed designs and recommend a finalist who will receive the commission. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Roll Call

Michael Bridgeman entered the meeting at 5:45 and assumed leadership of the meeting after the Frances Plaza Public Art discussion.

Present: 8 -

Michael K. Bridgeman; Celia A. Klehr; Norma M. Sober; Karen McLaughlin; Leslee J. Nelson; Jose J. Madera; Constance M. Kilmark and John Nicholas Schweitzer

Absent: 1 -

Thomas J. Farley

Excused: 2 -

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2. [08219](#) Authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into a contract, not to exceed \$10,000, with artist Melanie A. Kehoss, for all expenses related to the design, creation and implementation of a Public Art Work for the Cypress Spray Park.

A motion was made by Klehr, seconded by Madera, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. [08426](#) ArtWORKS! Program

Jose Madera reported that the ArtWORKS! Standing Committee is exploring the idea of expanding the reach of the program.

REPORTS

4. [08047](#) Cultural Plan

Norma reported that she, Patty Elson, and Karin Wolf will attend the January 22 DCCAC meeting to discuss the possibility of planning a regional cultural plan.

6. [08427](#) New MAC Logo

Tom Farley and Karin Wolf met with Craig Grabhorn to discuss creating a new logo for MAC.

7. [08045](#) Effigy Tree Public Art

Constance Kilmark reported on attendance at a neighborhood meeting that was held to discuss the future of Effigy Tree. Staff Karin Wolf was also present at that meeting. Kilmark mentioned that Bob Birmingham, former chief archeologist for the Wisconsin Historical Society had also attended the meeting and offered an expanded the vision of how fundraising could go forward with a larger focus on how the effigy mounds are a completely unique land feature in our area.

8. [08050](#) Garver Feed Mill

Project is going forward. The next community meeting will be held on December 20, 2007 at 5:00pm in rm LL-120 of the MMB.

9. [08048](#) MAC Workshops

Karen McLaughlin was not present during the discussion of the MAC Workshops. Staff reported on the Work of Art workshop that will be held in February. There will be a MAC grantwriting workshop on February 22nd from 11:30-12:30. Staff will also try to schedule a BLINK lecture/workshop before the February 1 deadline for BLINK.

10. [08041](#) Celebration for MAC grant award winners

The invitation list for the MAC recognition event was reviewed. Commissioner Nelson asked to add the following individuals to the invite list: Julie Palkowski, the MMSD fine arts coordinator; members of the WAB & DCCAC; Paula Panshanko of Tandem Press; Members of the Arts Institute at the UW Madison. Staff reported that Toni Sykes of the Guild authorized \$150 sponsorship for the food at the event.

11. [08053](#) Press & Publicity about MAC

Staff mentioned that MAC will be featured on the January Access City Hall with Stu Levitan.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Madera, seconded by Klehr, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.