

**ARTS COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING: MINUTES**

**5:30 PM**

**Wednesday, September 11, 2013 City Hall, Wing Room W-120**

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- (a) Call to Order & Roll Call

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 5:31 PM by Chair R. Holden**

**Roll Call:**

**Present: Nicholas Adams, Peter Allen, Kaela Bernal, Roma Dawson, Chris Esparza (left during Item f.1.), Rick Holden, Ben Miyaji, Tina Morrill, Ron Muriera, Walter Soellner, Jessica Zenk (arrived during Item e.)**

**Commission Council Liaison: Not present**

**Absent: None**

- (a) **Staff: K. Adams Hapner (OCA); L. Rogers (OCA); K. Park (OCA); A. Biala (OCA); T. Turnipseed (OCA); R. Henninger (D-3 Council Off.) (left during Item e.)**

- (b) Announcements

- (1) From the Public (e.g., event announcements)

(a) Sandra Wells, representing the Steinway Society announced their 1<sup>st</sup> concert and gala at California Theater to showcase the 18 year old organization; providing 100-200 tickets to local children; inviting Arts Commission to attend.

- (2) From Commission members

- (a) Announcements provided by:

- (i) Tina Morrill announced Luna Park Chalk Festival at Bakesto Park September 21
- (ii) Kaela Bernal attended Opera San Jose production of Falstaff
- (iii) Nicholas Adams attended reception at Art Objects Gallery in Japantown
- (iv) Ron Muriera reported on S. Bay 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday event addressing Asian Pacific Islander issues; was on panel

- (c) **ACTION: Approved Regular Meeting of August 14, 2013**

Mvd/2nd: Miyaji/Adams. Passed: 10 yes; 0 No; Abstention: 1 (Soellner, due to absence from that meeting)

- (d) Chair's Report

- (1) Chair Holden gave report

(2) Cornerstone of the Arts event to honor Irene Dalis on September 6 at California Theater was a success.

- (e) **PRESENTATION: Silicon Valley Creates**

Connie Martinez, Executive Director made presentation, announced the organization had been featured that day in the Huffington Post.

(f) Reports

- (1) **ACTION: Take action on a recommendation to review and accept the update on initiatives to develop innovation capacity in arts organizations.** (Note: Item taken after f.2)

Mvd/2nd: R. Muriera/P. Allen. Passed: 9 yes; 0 No

Item presented by K. Park, Office of Cultural Affairs

Speakers from public: C. Jeffries, SJ Museum of Quilts & Textiles; A. Young, Children's Discovery Museum

- (2) **ACTION: Take action on a recommendation to review and accept the update on the Creative Entrepreneur Project**

Mvd/2nd: T. Morrill/P. Allen. Passed: 9 yes; 0 No

Item presented by A. Biala, Office of Cultural Affairs

Speakers from public: Kymberli Brady from San Jose Stock, Cherri Lakey from Two Fish Designs

- (3) Update: Creative Placemaking and SoFA Activation

Update provided by K. Adams Hapner, Cultural Affairs Director and T. Turnipseed, Office of Cultural Affairs

(g) Executive Committee Report

- (1) Committee Chair Kaela Bernal reported

- (2) Arts Commission Retreat: Arts Commission annual retreat will be in lieu of regular November meeting; same evening but with an possible slightly earlier start time and will last longer.

(h) Public Art Committee Report

- (1) Committee Chair Nicholas Adams reported

- (2) San Jose Convention Center with artwork by Soo-In Yang will open mid-October

(i) Reports

- (1) Council Liaison – Hon. Sam Liccardo, Councilmember: NO REPORT (Not present)

- (2) Office of Cultural Affairs –

(a) Monthly report – K. Adams Hapner reported. Written report provided.

(b) Update: City's reforms to Boards and Commissions – update provided by L. Rogers, Office of Cultural Affairs, on status of "Excused Absences" for Commissions and related matters

- (3) Arts Commission Liaisons

(a) Arts & Culture Roundtable – Ron Muriera reported that he had attended their meeting on August 30 at Opera San Jose.

(b) Silicon Valley Arts Coalition – Walter Soellner reported that he had attended their retreat which was held approx. six weeks ago.

(c) Silicon Valley Creates – Peter Allen had no report due to presentation earlier at this meeting.

(d) South First Area Committee (SOFAC) - Tina Morrill reported that she had been networking iwth the area leadership

(e) Team San Jose – Ben Miyaji reported that Grand Opening of the Convention Center Expansion is October 10 and open to the public; hours are 4:00 – 9:00 PM

(i) Public Forum

None.

(j) Adjourn

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:15 PM by Chair R. Holden

Minutes recorded & posted by L. Rogers (OCA)