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The City of El Paso Public Arts Committee (PAC)
Tuesday, February 12, 2013, 3:30 PM
City Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 3:35 pm.
- 2. Roll Call: Members Present:** Melissa Barba-Espinosa, Kim Bauer, Robert Gonzalez, Jeannine Kennedy, Marina Monsisvais (Chair), Jane Thomas.
Members Absent: Anna Aleman, Rida Asfahani, Ken Gorski.
Others Present: Pat Dalbin, Misty Castaneda.
- 3. Public Comment:** None.
- 4. Approval of Minutes.** Chair asked for approval of the Minutes for the last meeting on January 8, 2013. Jeannine Kennedy moved to approve the minutes as presented. Kim Bauer seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and Action on the Artist Selected for the Central Business District Phase IV Street Scape Project by the Artist Selection Panel.** Pat Dalbin began by explaining to members that this job will require designing artistic elements for bollards, seating, patterned sidewalks, canopy structures, recycling bins, bike racks, planters and utility boxes. Sixteen artists submitted, and Pat turned the floor over to Jeannine Kennedy, who was the PAC representative on the Artist Selection Panel, for reporting on the selection process and who was chosen. Jeannine went on to explain that in addition to herself, the panel consisted of three members of Segundo Barrio neighborhood associations, along with the landscaper and architect for the project. They were given packets to study in advance and viewed slides of each artist's work, using paper ballots for voting. Jesus Alvarado (Cimi) was chosen for the project, as it was felt that he was best to represent the neighborhood. Marina Monsisvais stated that culturally, he is a good fit, but wondered how he would handle going from 2D to 3D. Pat added that she had spoken to him and expressed that there would be deadlines, designs would need to be in CAD format, architectural plans need to be made, research needs to be completed and he may not be able to continue in his full-time job. She further added that this may be the opportunity he has been waiting for to move on in his career. General discussion followed. Chair requested a motion to approve. Kim Bauer so moved; Melissa Barba-Espinosa seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Discussion and Action on the Local Artist Selected for the AAA Baseball Stadium Project.** Pat Dalbin began by explaining that Robert Davidoff had submitted as a team with Daniel Ward. Their background is working in 3D and functional pieces, which helped them rise to the top for this particular project. Their submission was conceptual and Pat stated they had been told they would be working with the architect to design elements throughout the stadium. Chair requested a motion to approve. Jeannine Kennedy so moved; Melissa Barba-Espinosa seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Adjournment.** Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Jane Thomas so moved; Kim Bauer seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 3:48 pm. Next meeting scheduled for March 12, 2013.

Approved for content by:
Patricia Dalbin, Public Art Program Coordinator

Respectfully submitted by:
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