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The City of El Paso Public Art Committee (PAC) Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 3:30 PM MCAD Board Room

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 3:34 pm.

2. **Roll Call.**

Members Present: Kim Bauer, Ann Kruzich, Gregory McNicol, Marina Monsisvais, Isela Ocegueda and Daniela Quesada Rivas

Members Absent: Melissa Barba and Edmund Castle

Others Present: Pat Dalbin, Aídee Guevara, Omar De La Rosa and Misty Monteros

3. **Public Comment.** None

4. **Approval of Minutes.** Chair requested a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Kim Bauer so moved; Daniela Quesada Rivas seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.

5. **Discussion and Action on the Selection of Artist Brad Goldberg for the Eastside Regional Park Public Art Project.** Pat Dalbin began by explaining an artist will be commissioned to help with the master plan, which will include a natatorium, an outdoor recreational pool, a community center and related parking areas and roadways. Layouts will be discussed with the public during a public meeting, and the artist will help design phase 1 of the plaza art project. As this is the only art location site in direct relation to the primary architectural component of the park, the artist will work with designers during design to potentially affect the plaza design and landscaping. Budget for the art piece is \$205,000. Pat noted that Kim Bauer was the representative from the Public Art Committee on the artist selection panel before turning the floor over to him to review the artist's past work and discuss the reasons he was chosen. Kim noted there were about 47 artists to choose from and Brad Goldberg was selected because he had some of the more suitable site-specific works for a park that will have a ranch theme. In discussion, he was the number 1 pick of many on the panel and he came out on top in the final round of 10-12 artists to choose from. Images of the artist's past works were shown via a PowerPoint slideshow. Pat added that pending today's approval, he will be contracted for the project and invited down for a site visit. Additional images from the artist's own website were shown to members for review. Kim advised members the artist works primarily with stone and general discussion on the park's location followed. Gregory McNicol motioned to approve; Isela Ocegueda seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.

6. **Discussion and Action on the Design for the Richard Burges Library Art Glass by Artist Hal Marcus.** *Item was tabled until further notice – no action taken at this time.*

7. **Public Art Status Report.** Pat Dalbin began by explaining there is one panel on *The Cloud* that is stuck and will be released during the first week in June, when school is out. The Irving Schwartz library glass installation is complete, the terrazzo floor at the airport is complete and the opening is in July, *Radiance* will be installed on May 22nd, installation of the giraffe piece at the zoo takes place next month, Bill FitzGibbons is in El Paso doing a walk-through on Airway for his project, and Andrew Dufford will be here on Friday for the kick-off meeting at the zoo.

8. **Adjournment.** Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Gregory McNicol so moved; Daniela Quesada Rivas seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm. Next meeting scheduled for June 14, 2016.

Approved for content by:
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