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The City of El Paso Public Arts Committee (PAC) Tuesday, May 26, 2009, 3:30 PM City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 3:35 p.m.
2. **Roll Call. Members Present:** Katherine Brennand, Ken Gorski, Amy Parker, Kate Bonansinga, Anna Pilhoefer, and Martina Lorey. **Members Absent:** Floyd Johnson, and Elizabeth Thurmond-Bengtson. **Others Present:** Patricia Dalbin, Public Art Program Coordinator; Marisol Lopez, Public Art Program Specialist; and Trenda Rocha, Senior Office Assistant.
3. **Public Comment.** None.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Ken Gorski moved to approve the minutes for March 31, 2009, as stated; Anna Pilhoefer seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passes unanimously.
5. **Recommendation on Downtown Transit Terminal Public Art Project.** Pat reported that the project will be completed by September 1, 2009. Ken Gorski was on the artist panel selection. There was discussion among the PAC members. Ken Gorski moved to approve the Downtown Transit Terminal Public Art Project with the revision to use the corten finish on the metal; Kate Bonansinga seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passes unanimously.
6. **Recommendation of Final Designs of Glass Panels by Rae Mahaffey.** Pat reported that Rae Mahaffey had her designs and colors completed. The PAC members were concerned about two designs and that the PAC was not fully involved in the process. There was discussion among the PAC members. Kate Bonansinga moved to recommend that Public Art Coordinator to approach artist and recommend reworking two of the images, Sun and Stripe and Arrows, that evoke New Mexico to essentially make them more abstracted. Katherine Brennand seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passes unanimously.

Kate Bonansinga made a second motion for Public Art to give a seminar to the department heads for the City to show them the process of putting Public Art in their projects. Katherine Brennand seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passes unanimously.

7. **Discussion on Artist Professional Development Workshop by Lynn Basa.** Pat announced that the Public Art program is holding a workshop for local artist. The artist will learn how to apply to public art commission here locally and nationally. The workshop will be held in the Main Library downtown June 10th at 9:30 am and 6:00 pm.
8. **Discussion on the Ribbon Ceremony for Janet Lofquist "Two Mountains".** Pat announced that Janet Lofquist Ribbon Ceremony is going to be June 17, 2009 at 10:00am.
9. **Discussion on Development of the Public Art Brochure.** Marisol Lopez reported that Public Art has started to put together a Public Art Brochure. It will outline all the completed projects and have a map showing the location of each art piece.
10. **New/Old Business.**
The Crime Victims Memorial Reading Garden is to be completed July of 2009.
11. **Adjournment.** Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Trenda Rocha, Senior Office Assistant