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The City of El Paso Public Art Committee (PAC)
Tuesday, June 9, 2015, 3:30 PM
MCAD Board Room

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 3:37 pm.
- 2. Roll Call: Members Present:** Melissa Barba, Jeannine Kennedy, Gregory McNicol; Marina Monsisvais, Jane Thomas and Stefanie Block Uribarri
Members Absent: Kim Bauer, Robert González and Daniela Quesada Rivas
Others Present: Pat Dalbin, Erik Gomez and Tracey Jerome
- 3. Public Comment:** None
- 4. Approval of Minutes.** Chair requested approval of the Minutes as submitted for the last meeting on May 19, 2015. Jane Thomas so moved; Stefanie Block Uribarri seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and Action on the Project Plan for Travis White Park Public Art Project.** Pat Dalbin began by reminding members that this project was approved in the 2015 Public Art Annual Plan. Meetings have been held with the Travis White Neighborhood Association and neighbors within a 1-mile radius of the park area in District 7. Neighborhood meeting discussion consisted of types of public art and possible location opportunities at the park. Attendees chose an interactive, functional sculpture. Examples of public art that were shown to meeting attendees were reviewed by members via a PowerPoint slideshow. Pat continued by saying that the artist would be selected using the new pre-qualified artist pool and the artist selection panel will be held on June 16th. Nineteen artists will be reviewed and panelists have their packets for review; the participating PAC member is Daniela Quesada Rivas. Pat briefly reviewed the process, noting that the list would be shortened to three artists who will be given a \$1500 honorarium so that they can each develop a proposal that will be taken back to the neighborhood association and neighbors so that they can see the actual pieces that may be installed at the park. The artist selection panel will make the final recommendation to the Public Art Committee on which piece they think would be best at the park. Chair requested a motion to approve. Gregory McNicol moved to approve; Jane Thomas seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Public Art Status Report.** Pat Dalbin mentioned the artists for Northgate Transit Terminal, a husband and wife team, gave a presentation at a public meeting with about 50 in attendance. They presented their past works and how they approach a project. They have previous experience with transit terminals and metro lines, so they know how to work with architects and how to integrate art in these types of developments. Pat notified members of a public meeting for Blackie Cheshier Park that will be held on June 25th at the Mission Valley Transit Terminal. The budget for the project is \$250,000. General discussion followed.
- 7. Adjournment.** Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Jane Thomas so moved; Melissa Barba seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 3:48pm. Next meeting scheduled for July 14, 2015.

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

Respectfully submitted by:
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