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REDMOND COMMISSION FOR ART IN PUBLIC PLACES
Minutes

Tuesday, December 17, 2013

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

RCAPP Present: Chair Linda Gilmore Hill, Gillian Burton, Deborah Cook, Katie Harris, Solomon Kaleialoha, Ethan Stelzer, Gordon Wiseman (absent: *Laura Cheshire*; 1 vacancy)

City Staff: Jackie Abslag, *Administrative Assistant*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: Ginny McPherson, *Council Liaison*; Frank Graham

(scribe CP's note: The minutes were created from an audio recording and notes taken at the meeting. The three digits after the motion title show the number of Commissioners voting in favor/against/abstaining.)

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Hill called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. with a quorum present. She welcomed Mr. Graham, who will be joining RCAPP as a new commissioner in January 2014.

DISCUSSION and ACTION ITEMS

A. Jennifer Lake Prints – Update

Chair Hill invited everyone to view two Jennifer Lake prints. The Christmas scene was unveiled in the middle of the street at the parade and is now hanging in City Hall behind Mona's desk. The original painting is for sale at \$5,000; RCAPP's share will be \$2,500. Prints (11" x 14.5") are for sale at \$40 each. Pacific Arts will matte (\$13.50) each print and frame (\$103) it with glass. Greeting cards are available online at www.jenniferlakefinearts.com or on her Facebook page. Chair Hill thanked Commissioner Cook who paid for an ad in *The Redmond Spokesman*. Posters and tiles will be available at *The Green Plow* during the Third Friday Stroll on December 20, 2013, 4-8 p.m.; she invited Commissioners to attend with her. She has had several conversations with Ms. Lake about marketing.

Commissioner concerns included sales to date.

B. Yew Avenue Roundabout Project Update

Commissioner Stelzer said City Council approved the student-proposed project for \$30,000 though subsequent bids have dropped that cost by \$9,000. Materials should be delivered in January. If everything stays on track, installation will be in April 2014. He stated that Council concerns included imagery and retaining the proposed height in spite of the extra cost involved. He requested that any extra funds be given to Artist-in-Residence Ryan Beard, who has gone above and beyond what was expected of him.

Ms. Abslag said Mr. Beard was paid by December 31 as required by the Oregon Arts Commission grant. Mr. Beard has indicated he will stay with the project until it's completed.

Commissioners discussed a plaque, metal patina and durability, number of students, video recording the entire process (concept through installation), and getting a copy of KTVZ's footage on the students' presentation to Council.

C. Thank You to Outgoing Members

Chair Hill thanked outgoing commissioners. She reported meeting with Cameron Kaseberg and thanking him for everything he has done for RCAPP. He has agreed to continue doing Facebook postings for RCAPP. She presented gifts and thank-you notes to outgoing Commissioners Burton and Wiseman. She and Commissioner Burton have reapplied and will be returning. Chair Hill thanked all commissioners for their hard work in 2013. RCAPP is a great asset to Redmond.

D. Approval of Minutes

Motion 1 (6/0/1): Commissioner Harris moved that RCAPP approve the October 15, 2013, minutes as amended to add Mr. Fancett's comment that he would prefer themes less constrictive than "It's Raining Cats, Dogs, and Rockchucks" to his remarks under the Airport Art Program (Agenda Item A). Commissioner Burton seconded the motion which passed with Commissioners Burton, Cook, Harris, Hill, Kaleialoha, and Stelzer voting in favor and Wiseman abstaining due to his absence from the October meeting.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ivy Geranium Painting: Ms. Abslag said she received a bid for \$200-\$300 from a Bend person. Commissioners discussed having the painting cleaned before selling it and how the purchase offer compared to the painting's appraised value.

Motion 2 (7/0/0): Commissioner Wiseman moved that RCAPP authorize City staff to accept any reasonable offer made to purchase the City's "Ivy Geranium" painting. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ms. Abslag said she will follow up on the sale and provide an update at the next RCAPP meeting. RCAPP has accomplished a lot this year.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

New Commissioners: Chair Hill announced that Frank Graham and Jessica Rowan will join RCAPP in January 2014. Ms. Abslag said Chayce Burnette, a high school student from Redmond Proficiency Academy (RPA), will join RCAPP in 2014 as a student liaison (ex officio).

Airport Art Program: Chair Hill said communications between RCAPP and the Airport Art Committee are still not working. Commissioners Burton and Harris offered to serve on the Airport Art Committee but have heard nothing for 12 weeks. Interim Airport Director Bob Noble informed Chair Hill today that this committee will meet in two days on December 19, 2013. Commissioners Burton and Harris have not been notified about this meeting which has reportedly been on the books for three weeks. Chair Hill said she will meet with Mr. Noble on January 3, 2014. She summarized the history of the Airport Art Program which started in 1989. Initial committee members were City Manager Joe Hannon, Airport Manager Carrie Novick, artist/gallery owner Linda Gilmore Hill, gallery owner Jan Anderson, and artist/musician Virginia Riggs. She explained how the art shows were conducted, security of permanent pieces, community support, advantage of a juried format by artists vs. staff, and RCAPP's involvement to date. Over \$100,000 of art has been sold. The airport uses the sales commissions it receives to purchase art and display supplies.

Smith Rock Paint Out: Chair Hill said Mr. Kaseberg is trying to make sure the Smith Rock Paint Out event happens again, but no one from the airport has contacted him. The 2013 event generated a lot of publicity for Redmond and attracted well-known, professional plein-air artists who sell this type of work, some of whom teach internationally. Oregon Parks and Recreation Department partnered with Art in the High Desert (Mr. Kaseberg is a member) on this project.

Commissioner concerns included RCAPP's being informed of Airport Art Committee meetings on a timely basis, preparing for the December 19 meeting, status of the 3-D art concept, advantages to art

show themes, and policy about selling art from the Airport's permanent collection. Commissioner Harris said she received an e-mail from Tammy Rohach, following the September 2013 RCAPP meeting, regarding her availability, but there has been no follow-up since that time.

Art Around the Clock: "Lion's Bridge" has received mixed reviews. Commissioner Burton said she has heard a lot of negative comments. Commissioner Cook reported that three high school students told her they liked it and couldn't believe the City was so forward-thinking. Chair Hill said the "Thoughts of Flight" sculpture is unevenly lit at night, depending on which way you approach it.

Redmond Public Library: Commissioner Kaleialoha said the winter art show will be taken down on December 27-28, 2013, and new materials will be accepted for the nonjuried Open Photography Show. The Silent Reading Room is currently displaying the work of photographer Cory O'Neill.

Central Oregon Writers Guild: In response to Chair Hill's question, Ms. Prow announced that the Guild will hold its December Showcase at 6:30 p.m., December 19, Building 3, Room 309, Central Oregon Community College-Redmond campus. As one of the featured performers, she will read her story: "Lunch and Learn with Mom." The public is welcome to attend this nonjuried annual event that gives Guild members an opportunity to share the "children of their hearts" in a public forum.

Bike Racks: Commissioner Kaleialoha reported that RPA students will be designing a decorative part of the inverted-U bike racks that will be installed down the street from City Hall. Commissioner Stelzer discussed the design and materials that will be used; this project will start in January 2014. Ms. Abslag commended Commissioner Kaleialoha for the quality of his presentation in support of this project.

LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilor McPherson said she was willing to help with communications between RCAPP and the Airport's art program.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Graham explained his interest in RCAPP and summarized his background in the U.S. Army and as a hobby painter. He participated in the Western Rendezvous of Art in Montana, an event similar to the Smith Rock Paint Out, that was very successful. Audience members chatted with the artists during the quick-draw activity, which was followed by a barbeque and art auction.

ADJOURN

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2014, 4:30 p.m.

With no further business, Chair Hill adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Commission for Art In Public Places and SIGNED by me this 18th day of February, 2014.

ATTEST:

/s/ Linda Gilmore Hill
Linda Gilmore Hill
Chair

/s/ Heather Richards
Heather Richards
Community Development Director