



Minutes

Public Art/Art in Private Development Committee

Subcommittee of Tempe Municipal Arts Commission

July 22, 2008

Minutes of the Public Art/AIPD Committee meeting that took place at 5 p.m. on July 22, 2008, in the Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Betsy Fahlman – Chair
Robert Bortfeld
Judy Ellison
Paul Hubbell
Lise Hawkos
Shirlee King

(MEMBERS) Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Elizabeth Lagman, Public Art Specialist
Rachael A. Peterson, Cultural Services Division Administrative Assistant
Maja Switzer, Arts Administrator

Guest Present:

Joe Tyler, Visual Artist

Agenda Item 1 – Call to order

Betsy Fahlman called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – AIPD: Tempe Gateway

- Liz Lagman introduced the following Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members:
 - Robert Bortfeld
 - Judy EllisonR. Bortfeld and J. Ellison are new members of the TMAC Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee.
- L. Lagman introduced Maja Switzer, city of Tempe Arts Administrator, and welcomed her to the meeting.

- L. Lagman introduced guest visual artist Joe Tyler; J. Tyler presented the Public Art/AIPD Committee with a maquette of his proposed AIPD piece at the Hyatt Summerfield Suites (Warner and Priest). Tyler's piece is an 18' by 14' by 22' welded, sealed steel tree that emulates foliage blowing in the wind.
 - L. Lagman announced that the Hyatt developer's budget for Tyler's piece is \$38352.
 - J. Tyler added that the three components of his piece will be welded on site and will be surrounded by a granite hardscape.
- MOTION:** Robert Bortfeld moved to approve the proposed Hyatt Summerfield Suites AIPD project.
- SECOND:** Lise Hawkos seconded.
- DECISION:** Hyatt Summerfield Suites AIPD project approved.
- L. Lagman stated that the Hyatt AIPD project will appear on the August 13 TMAC Agenda as an action item for approval.

Agenda Item 3 – Public Art/AIPD Update

- L. Lagman reminded the committee that visual artist David Brant is working with Opus to design an AIPD element proposed to surround the Tempe Gateway Office Tower. The Tempe Gateway AIPD project has been approved by the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC); Tempe Gateway is a mixed-use project located between Tempe Town Lake and the Mill Avenue District shops and features 235,000 square feet of office space and 25,000 square feet of retail.
- L. Lagman added that D. Brant's AIPD element is titled "Progression of Transportation (rusted steel images locked into seating walls)." Brant's piece will display the following:
 - An eight to ten foot pair of walking legs
 - A cowboy on horseback
 - A bicycle
 - A pair of over-scaled aluminum elements (fender, hood ornaments, vehicle, leg hitting brake pedal)
 - Three large aluminum fins
- L. Lagman reported that Mary Lucking's proposed Hudson Park art pieces were approved at the TMAC meeting that took place at 6 p.m. on July 9 in the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) 201 Lounge. Lagman added that the installation of M. Lucking's pieces begins in fall, 2008.
- L. Lagman announced that visual artist Kris Kollasch was selected to carry out phase two of three irrigation standpipe project phases in the Mitchell Park East Neighborhood. Lagman added that phase one was completed in November, 2007, by visual artist Joan Baron.
- Paul Hubbell expressed his appreciation for neighborhood irrigation standpipe artwork; L. Lagman added that the standpipe projects help to foster a sense of community within their respective neighborhoods.
- L. Lagman stated that Tad Savinar's Transportation Plaza pavers are impressive; Lagman visited the site on July 17 and observed that the pavers are 50% installed. Lagman added that artist Lorna Jordan's integrated work at the Transportation Plaza is complete. The plaza is tentatively scheduled to open in October, 2008, with a grand opening scheduled for December, 2008.
- P. Hubbell stated that he had met with Walt Lockley in response to an article he had written for Desert Living Magazine that addressed the modular shade structures in the city of Tempe light rail stations.

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- L. Lagman reminded the Public Art/AIPD Committee that the Double Butte Cemetery Public Art Opportunity Panel met on May 19 and selected the following finalists to submit proposals for review:
 - Seyed Alavi
 - Jim Hirschfield and Sonya Ishii
 - Aaron P. Hussey
 - Nina Solomon and Heidi DauphinArtist proposals are due August 20.
 - L. Lagman stated that Tempe's Spectra Electrical Services, Inc. will begin to install LED lighting fixtures into Carl Cheng's piece titled, "Tilted Landscape," on August 11. Lagman added that she has already received the project's lighting permit. In addition to lighting, the moat around the piece will have all new landscaping.
 - L. Lagman announced that Jeanine Centuori and Russell Rock (UrbanRock Design) have signed their contract in regards to participating in the Tempe Historical Museum Renovation Design Team Opportunity. Lagman reported that J. Centuori and R. Rock have met with the project's architect and intend to present their project concepts late July, 2008.
 - L. Lagman reminded the Public Art/AIPD Committee that the Peanut Butter and Jam Children's Concert Series is taking place from 10 – 11 a.m. on September 27 in the Tempe Community Center Complex Courtyard, 3500 S. Rural Road.
 - L. Lagman reported that visual artist Clarke C. Reidy has committed to restoring the Charles Trumball Hayden city of Tempe Public Art piece. The cost of restoring the piece is approximately \$4800.
 - Lise Hawkos stated that her TMAC term is ending in August, 2008; L. Hawkos is relocating to Stevens Point, WI, to pursue a position at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.
 - P. Hubbell and L. Lagman thanked Hawkos for representing the Public Art/AIPD Committee on behalf of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) and also thanked Hawkos for her service on both the commission and its subcommittees.

Agenda Item 4 - Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned by Betsy Fahlman at 5:43 p.m.

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