

San José Arts Commission Minutes

Date: Wednesday, July 11, 2007

Location: City Hall Room W118
200 East Santa Clara St
San José, CA

Time: 5:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m. with a quorum present

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: Jill Arnone, Michael Bernier, David Eisbach, Dr. Lisa Gonzales, Sharon Gustafson, Charles Lauer, Dennis Martin, Michael Martin, Patricia Borba McDonald, Ruth Tunstall-Grant

Commissioners absent: Aarti Awasthi, Douglas Beach, Ernest Guzman

Staff present: Office of Economic Development – Kim Welsh; Cultural Affairs – Irene Ray, Lawrence Thoo, Barbara Goldstein, Arlene Biala; City Attorney – Barbara Jordan

Council Liaison: Council Assistant Scarlett Li Lam

III. INTRODUCTIONS

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting of June 13, 2007

M/S/C (D. Martin/Gonzales; Bernier & Lauer abstaining): To approve the minutes as submitted.

V. AGENDA REVIEW

VI. CHAIR'S REPORT — *Sharon Gustafson* **Report Presented**

A. **Presentation and discussion** Time Certain 5:40 p.m.

Introduction of *Brave New Voices 2007: 10th Annual International Youth Poetry Slam Festival*, which will come to San Jose for the first time July 17–21, 2007, presented by Youth Speaks in partnership with MACLA and San Jose Museum of Art.

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Program Committee — *Ernest Guzman, Chair*
Chair's Report

B. Public Art Committee — *Ruth Tunstall-Grant, Chair*
Chair's Report **Report Presented**

1. **Report on Public Art Committee Recommendations (June)**

Who's On First, What's On Second: Recommend approval of a design development proposal by Bill Fontana for "Who's On First, What's on Second" and that the City Council direct the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with Bill Fontana to fabricate and install an artwork in an amount not to exceed \$35,000. (Council District 3)

Report Presented

C. Executive Committee — *Jill Arnone, Chair*
Chair's Report - **Report Presented**

1. **Arts Commission Retreat**

Information on and discussion of planning for the next Arts Commission retreat —
Sharon Gustafson

Half-Day Retreat set for Saturday, September 29, 2007. Facilitated discussion of Arts Commission roles – current and desired; relationship with Mayor/Council, staff, community; potential new directions for the Commission and Office of Cultural Affairs. Location TBD.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Council Liaison Report — *Forrest Williams, Councilmember*

B. Staff Reports – *Kim Walesh* **Report Presented**

C. City Manager: Mexican Heritage Corp. — *Sharon Gustafson* **Report Presented**

D. Liaison Reports

1. Airport Commission
2. Arts and Culture Roundtable
3. Arts Council Silicon Valley
4. First ACT
5. First Voice
6. San José Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Team San José
7. Santa Clara County Office of Education
8. Silicon Valley Arts Coalition
9. ZeroOne San José

IX. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Eisbach – notes wonderful presentations of Ella and the Beehive at the San Jose Repertory Theatre

Commissioner Tunstall-Grant – encourages staff to find some level of support for Brave New Voices 2007

X. COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.