



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
City Hall Room 280-A
455 North Rexford Dr.
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

MINUTES

FINE ART COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING October 15, 2015 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

OPEN MEETING

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Rubins, Smooke, Kaye,
Commissioners Absent: Hiller, Potter
Staff Present: Hunt-Coffey, Meyerowitz, Acuna, Thau

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Consideration of Minutes

Regular Meeting of August 20, 2015

MOVED by Rubins, SECONDED by Smooke, to accept the minutes from August 20, 2015 regular meeting with corrections. (3/0)

AYES: Rubins, Smooke, Kaye
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: Hiller, Potter
ABSTAIN: NONE
CARRIED

Special Meeting of September 17, 2015

MOVED by Rubins, SECONDED by Smooke, to accept the presented special meeting minutes as is. (3/0)

AYES: Rubins, Smooke, Kaye
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: Hiller, Potter
ABSTAIN: NONE
CARRIED

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

2. Report by Fine Art Commission Staff Liaison (Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Brad Meyerowitz, Patty Acuna)

- **Information only**
 - A. Fine Art Fund report and update. Request for corrections on Finance reports and questions.
 - B. Mayor's cabinet meeting notes. Mayor's cabinet meeting notes were provided in the packet.
 - C. Update on developer owned art. 55 letters and covenants were sent out to owners and responsible owners.

Commissioner Hiller arrived at 4:12 p.m.

- D. Update on Richard Serra *Twins*. The reception was held on 9/21/15
- E. Update on fencing around the *Kusama*. There was a mandatory site walk for prospective contractors held on 10/6/15. All bids are due on 10/22/15.
- F. Update on the Woods Davy piece. Footings have been designed. Request by artist for piers to be designed and constructed.
- G. Update on *Center Obelisk* by Joan Brown. Restoration work began on 10/2/15 and it has been completed. The art plaque for this piece has been installed.
- H. Update on William Kentridge *World on Its Hind Legs*. Staff is working with the gallery on final costs for shipping, etc. The agreement is being drafted.
- I. FAC calendar. Calendar of work projects was provided in the packet.

- J. Priority exercise. Emails/letters were sent to independent submissions regarding the status of their proposals.
- K. Upcoming Commission training. Memo was included in packet regarding upcoming Commissioner training.
- L. Bove maintenance issue. Scratches on the piece were remedied. A maintenance plan is being developed.

- **Other item(s)**

None

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

3. Center Obelisk base and path

The Commission was asked to make a formal vote on placement of a path around the art piece so that it could be viewed from all sides and what should occur with the base of this art piece.

MOVED by Kaye, SECONDED by Hiller, that the conversation about the path and the base is tabled until the April 2016 meeting and that this item is agendaized in the April 2016 meeting (4/0)

AYES: Rubins, Hiller, Kaye, Smooke
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
CARRIED

4. Tom Friedman travel request

Staff asked the Commission to consider the request from the Luhring Augustine Gallery to have Tom Friedman visit the City to consider different possible locations for the art piece that was the highest priority at last month's priority setting exercise. The request was tabled.

5. Project/follow up priority setting exercise

Staff asked the Commission to engage in a priority setting exercise for outstanding projects and follow up items.

Staff has set a limit of 5 projects and 5 follow up items per month. While new items can be added to the "to do list", items will not move onto the priority list until an existing priority item has been completed.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

- Developers Brochure Subcommittee (Kaye, Rubins)
This subcommittee has provided for review by the Commission the language for the Developers Brochure draft. This subcommittee also volunteered to work on providing the brochure graphic design draft.
- Recreation and Parks Commission Liaisons (Potter, Kaye)
No updates.
- Developer Owned Art (Hiller, Smooke)
No updates.
- Web Submission for Priority Exercise Committee (Hiller, Rubins)
This subcommittee has provided for review by the Commission the language and mission statement for the priority exercise website page.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner requested the schedule of upcoming Fine Art Commission Meetings.

Commissioner created an Instagram page under the title Fine Art of Beverly Hills displaying the City shield, some photos of the art sculptures installed in the City and tagging capabilities. Staff will investigate if this Instagram can become an official communication platform for the City.

Commissioner updated the Commission in regards of LACMA, Sotheby's and Christies newly appointed directors.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 19 day of November, 2015.



Brenda Potter, Chairperson