



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

MINUTES

FINE ART COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING September 17, 2015 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

OPEN MEETING

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Rubins, Smooke, Hiller, Kaye, Potter
Commissioners Absent: None
Staff Present: Hunt-Coffey, Meyerowitz, Acuna, Thau

1. Consideration of Minutes

Regular Meeting of August 20, 2015

MOVED by Kaye, SECONDED by Hiller, to reflect the written additions and changes provided by Vice Chair Kaye in the presented minutes. (3/2)

AYES: Rubins, Hiller, Kaye
NOES: Smooke, Potter
ABSENT: NONE
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. Staffing updates; Lois Foraker has retired. The position will be replaced.

B. Update on Richard Serra *Twins*; The dedication and reception are scheduled for Monday 9/21/15. The grass around the piece has been installed and the wiring for the lighting of the sculpture has been run.

C. Update on fencing around the Kusama; the fencing design went out to bid. There will be walk-through sessions for prospective contractors. The bid process will close by middle of October.

- **Other item(s)**

None

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

3. Priority Exercise

Commissioners were presented with independent art submissions as well as selections of artwork of preferred artists submitted by their colleagues on the Fine Art Commission for a detailed discussion on which to pursue for possible inclusion in the Beverly Hills City owned collection. Each Commissioner voted on their top 3 choices at the end of the exercise. Tom Friedman was selected as the top artists/artwork. He will be the focal point of exploration and examination by the Commission, with an eye to acquisition, for the next year.

MOVED by Potter, SECONDED by Hiller, that the next acquisition by the Fine Art Commission be Tom Friedman based on the Priority Exercise voting and that the Commission will try to acquire *Circle Dance* if that can't work, the Commission will try to acquire *Take Out Man* (5/0)

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

4. Presentation by representatives of 8942 Wilshire Blvd. for art installation

Staff was approached by the representatives of 8942 Wilshire Blvd. in regards of the existing Eric Orr art installation that is currently installed in this site. The representatives explained the renderings and details of the desired proposed remodel around the art installation that was presented to the Commission for approval.

MOVED by Kaye, SECONDED by Rubins, that the Commission accepts this proposal as amendment for this obligation, subject to the change being reflected in the covenant (5/0)

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

5. Visit to the Commission by Rosa Lowinger

Rosa Lowinger visited the Commission and she provided an update in regards of the Kusama restoration and Obelisk restoration. She answered questions by the Commission and she also provided suggestions for the restoration work on these two art pieces.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

- Developers Brochure Subcommittee (Kaye, Rubins)
- Recreation and Parks Commission Liaisons (Potter, Kaye)
- Developer Owned Art (Hiller, Smooke)
- Website Committee – submissions for priority exercise (Hiller, Rubins)

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Update by the Commission on Ad Hoc committees.

The Commission suggested the creation of an Instagram/Facebook/Twitter for the Fine Art Commission.

The commission suggested that all submissions and documentation be provided digitally through the City website.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 15 day of October, 2015.



Brenda Potter, Chairperson