

CIVIC CULTURAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2009

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairperson Dale, Commissioners Beard, Fischer, and Newblanc

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Vice Chairperson Cortez, Commissioners Jackson and Simoulin

GUESTS PRESENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Director Corinne Centeno, Administrative Assistant Denise Monroe

The regular meeting of the Civic Cultural Commission was called to order at 7:07pm by Chairperson Warren Dale in Room 1 of the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, California.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as mailed.

CORRESPONDENCE

-Newsletters and flyers were received from various organizations.

Oral Communications

None

ITEM 1 – SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

-Budget

Director Centeno gave a preliminary budget update and advised the Commission that more information will be available by the March meeting. She stated that Superintendent Beth is working with Redevelopment on developing a budget for FY09-10 to fund all downtown events.

-Communication/Calendar/Website

Commissioner Fischer said she would like to be removed from this sub-committee so she could focus on the Public Art sub-committee.

-Community Outreach

Nothing to report.

-Cultural Commission Sponsored Events

-Pick-up Art Contest/Essay Contest Entries

Administrative Assistant Monroe announced the art/essay contest ended today at 5:00pm and asked if any of the Commissioners were interested in picking up entries from Redwood City schools.

Commissioner Beard announced the bands for the concerts have been selected and that the survey results were taken into consideration during the selection process.

The Commissioners talked about the need for the sound system to be consistent at Stafford Park concerts.

Commissioner Fischer asked about having no smoking at concerts and Director Centeno stated the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission is recommending to the Council that there be no smoking in any City park. This matter will be heard at the February 9 Council meeting. She said that a staff committee is currently working on separate rules for Court House Square.

-Public Art

Commissioner Newblanc said the sub-committee met to discuss the outcome of the joint study session with Council and Commissioner Fischer requested that the sub-committee meeting notes be forwarded to all Commissioners.

Bird Bath Update

-Morning Song

Commissioner Newblanc is working on the proposal for the Historic Resources Advisory Board.

-Main Library Parking Lot

Nothing to report.

ITEM 2 – FACILITATED DISCUSSION OF BRANDING

Director Centeno facilitated a discussion regarding what the Commissioners would like to see in a branding of Redwood City or a branding of public art. Each Commissioner designed a collage of how they envisioned public art in Redwood City. They explained their collage to the group and then received feedback from the other Commissioners regarding how they interpreted the collage. Attachment I contains the descriptives collected.

The Commissioners decided to re-visit this topic next month since three of the Commissioners were not at the meeting and were not able to participate in the process. Chairperson Dale wanted to make sure the three Commissioners were given an opportunity to create a collage before the next meeting.

ITEM 3 – CULTURAL COMMISSION COMMUNITY BRAINSTORMING

Nothing to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-The Commissioners were advised that the annual Form 700 will be sent to them next week and that it was due to the City Clerk by April 1.

-Commissioner Newblanc announced the Peninsula Arts Council is developing a map of cultural interests for the County and they will be contacting each City to obtain a list of their public art.

-Commissioner Fischer displayed a public art brochure produced by the City of San Mateo and a copy will be forwarded to all Commissioners.

-Chairperson Dale announced he will not be able to attend the March meeting because the Sequoia Awards are being held the same evening. He said he would be agreeable to moving the meeting date if the Commission was interested.

The Commissioners spoke about the various cultural events they attended during the past 30 days.

Items for Next Agenda – Continued Discussion on Branding, Approval of Large Grant Packet for FY09-10

The regular meeting of the Civic Cultural Commission was adjourned at 9:05pm to be reconvened at 7:00pm on Thursday, March 5, 2009 to be held at the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, California.

Attachment I

**Civic Cultural Commission Meeting
February 5, 2009, 7:00 p.m.**

Our Collages Inspired these Words

Activities for people	Mosaic, variety of patterns still connected
Alive	Movement
Beauty	Multi-cultural
Bold in Center	No defined pattern or shape
Brings smiles	Places
Break out of everyday routine	Playfulness
Bustling	Provokes, invites discussion
Celebration	Pulse
Colorful	Push Boundaries
Come and Stay	Real beauty
Comfort	Real culture
Connected	Real spirit
Creative	Reflection
Cultural experiences	Reflective
Different colored people	Respect
Diversity, all ages and cultures	Resurrection
Engaged	Safe
Evolving	Shape of Sounds to Come
Experience to behold	Something you want to take a picture of
Fits in make up of City	Travels
Free Expression	Uniqueness
Fun	Textures
Heart	Thought Provoking
History, RWC and Peninsula	Unpredictable
Join Us	Variety of art forms
Joyous	Vibrant
Kinetic	We are not in Kansas anymore
Light	Wondering vs. knowing
Looking	Mosaic, variety of patterns still connected
Mind Expanding	