

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MEETING

A regular meeting of the Public Art Commission took place on Wednesday, July 14, 2010, at 5:30 P.M. at the Cambridge Arts Council.

The following members were present:

Stephanie Boye
Miriam Stewart
Julie Graham
TK McClintock
Mags Harries

Staff present:

Lillian Hsu, Director of Public Art
Jeremy Gaucher, Public Art Administrator

1) Terms & Size of PAC Membership

Mags Question: Should we increase PAC membership to ensure larger numbers at meetings? What is our Quorum, and can that be changed?

Lillian: Will ask Jason Weeks about the charter and terms.

Expiring Member: Cynthia Smith's term expires September 2010. Cynthia not present to speak to continuation.

2) New Upcoming Project

Western Avenue Sewer & Utility Project:

Staff has been notified that \$100k for art integration has been verbally approved for the project. It is important to note that this does not set a precedent for Percentage projects to be tied to sewer projects, but rather that in this particular project, CDD asked for it to be included because there is a significant amount of street reconstruction due to the scope of the sewer replacement.

An Art Jury was convened: Hubert Murray, Wendy Jacob, and Torrey Fair
The Jury selected three artists as finalists from the CAC Artist Database: Matthew Geller, Matthew Mazzotta, and Vaughn Bell

CAC Staff is working to get the artists integrated as early as possible into the design process in order to have artist concept included in the overall concept, as well as the working drawing before going to bid in "Spring 2011".

Timeline to accommodate this:

September 2, 6pm- Public meeting with Site Committee Selection
November - PAC Review of Artist Proposal
December – If changes needed, PAC Approval

3) Ongoing Projects

Cambridge Street Project - Flocks:

The project is moving forward. Carolina and Staff have meetings with Traffic & Parking, Electric, and Public Works. Carolina has identified a site near North Pointe Park to do a one-span trial for sound and logistics. This will be installed in September.

Park Spark:

The project has been approved for an above ground, trial period at Pacific Street Park. It will be install late August to late September.

Laura Baring-Gould:

Has not responded to continued requests for response. Lillian will continue to attempt contact.

Dewitt Godfrey:

Project on hold. Future location unknown.

4) Creating Committees for Public Art Commission

Committees:

Public Private Advocacy: Brent, Julie

Charles River: Stephanie (Chair), T.K., Mags

Conservation: Miriam

Schools: Julie

Artist Selection Process/Integration: Cynthia

5) Upcoming Meetings

Lillian to meet with Charles Tracey

Flocks Review for October PAC Meeting

PAC Dates for Fall:

Wed, August 18

Wed, Sept 15

Wed, Oct 6

Wed, Nov 3

Wed, Dec 1

4) Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Next Meeting: 5:30pm, August 18, 2010