

**City of Missoula Public Art Committee – Regular Meeting
April 16, 2013 4:00 pm, Jack Reidy Conference Room**

Members Present: Joan Jonkel, Kathi Olson, David Nelson, Doug Olson, Linda Richards, Dana Boussard, Jeff Rolston-Clemmer, Caitlin Copple

Absent Members: Peter Lambros

Non Members Present: Heidi Bakula, Isla Olson

Public / PAC Committee Member Comment: None.

Minutes: The minutes of February 19, 2013 were approved as corrected.
Motion: Caitlin Copple, Kathi Olson, Second
The minutes of March 17, 2013 were approved as presented.
Motion: Linda Richards, Caitlin Copple, Second

1. Park Place Art Project—Installation Plans
 - The sculpture will be delivered on April 29th
 - The installation will take place on April 30th, installation will take approximately 1 week
 - Official opening will be on Friday, June 7th
 - The press release for traffic control will go out on April 18th
2. Report on Visit to Silver Park
 - Met with Chris Behan of MRA
 - Discussed possible locations for art
 - Chief Decision: would PAC contribute all \$24,000 on its own for art and installation, or cooperate with Karrie Montgomery for a possible tribute to her family by combining funds. Kerry is interested in at least on piece of art as tribute – or possibly two
 - Kathi Olson and David Nelson will research the history of the Silver family
3. Missoula Public Art Guide Subcommittee Report
 - The Art Guide should be ready by May 14th and the cover art will be ready soon
 - Dave Strohmaier developed/is developing an App on the history of Missoula with a possible walking tour and possible link to the Public Art page
 - Destination Missoula is sponsoring the App
4. Fundraising and PAC Budget Subcommittee Report
 - City Council did not fund PAC’s request for \$15,000 this year and \$35,000 for the next 2 years.
 - Caitlin Copple offered to make a special request to Council for the funds. The Mayor also told her that the budget projections could be wrong and PAC’s request could be funded. PAC’s request is at the top of the list for funding. The request could also be made for FY15
 - PAC’s funding comes from the Mayor’s executive budget

- Due to yearly maintenance of existing art, it is hard to determine how much PAC can spend from year to year on other projects
- PAC should determine an appropriate reserve amount for maintenance for art as required by the Percent for Art ordinance

5. Traffic Signal Box Upcoming Art Call

- Currently working on a \$1,000 neighborhood grant
- Six TSB's are planned – the art call will go out in mid to late April
- TSB's will be painted by mid or the end of July
- Question on whether or not an artist could submit an unpainted line drawing – consideration is that all artists follow the same criteria so a line drawing would not be acceptable
- There was concern over whether TSB artists were being paid enough for their artwork. The budget seemed too tight for those artists
- One suggestion was that \$15,000 be used for the TSB project and no donations would be needed. There is currently \$22,000 in the PAC account set aside for maintenance. PAC should insure that money from the city gets spent on the art and the artist.

Doug Olson made a **motion** to give the TSB artists a total of \$1,500 each, this time, and take the money out of the Public Art Trust Fund. Jeff Rolston-Clemmer seconded the motion.

After some discussion for and against, David Nelson called for the question.

The motion **failed**.

Ayes: Doug Olson

Nayes: Joan Jonkel, David Nelson, Linda Richards, Jeff Rolston-Clemmer, Dana Boussard

Abstained: Kathi Olson

PAC will discuss this at their long-range planning meeting and the current art call will go out as is.

6. Pineview Park Project Draft Art Call

- The committee discussed Linda Richards' recommended changes to the Pineview Park draft art call. The consensus was that the changes were agreeable.
- The committee wanted to be careful to get an artist that would follow through since they can sometimes take on too much of a project and not finish it. One comment was to get the best art possible and set a high standard for great art.
- The goal was to have \$12,000 for the project, and after July 1st they may find out that there will be more funds available for the project.
- Consideration was to draw from the trust account as well.
- Three spots in the park were chosen to be used but artist can choose any location they like.
- Funds could also be pursued through neighborhood donations.

7. Criteria for Artists Applying for Percent for Art Calls and Other PAC Art Calls – This item was previously discussed earlier in the meeting.
8. Long Range Planning Meeting
 - The meeting will take place at Dana Boussard’s house on Thursday, May 30th from 10am to 4pm.
 - Caitlin Copple will look into a possible facilitator.

David Nelson made a **motion** to spend \$250 on a facilitator, Doug Olson seconded.

Ayes: David Nelson, Linda Richards, Jeff Rolston-Clemmer, Kathi Olson, Doug Olson, Caitlin Copple
Nays: Joan Jonkel
Abstained: Dana Boussard

The **motion** carried.

9. PAC Bylaws – Discussed at a previous meeting.

10. Ongoing Projects

- Item of Interest - State of Montana Percent for Art Program – MSU Bozeman

Meeting adjourned 6:05pm.