



Public Art Committee

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2014

ROLL CALL – City Staff, Audrey Denham called the meeting to order at 3:08 pm.

Commissioners:

Claudia Torres
Crystal Mercado
Manuel Cavada
Micaela Polanco
William Virchis

City Staff:

Brad Raulston, Executive Director
Audrey Denham, Recreation Superintendent

Commissioners Absent:

None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on October 28, 2014: 1st by Mercado, 2nd by Torres, motion carried by unanimous vote.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

N/A

PRESENTATIONS

N/A

ACTION ITEMS

1. Committee Chair selection: Virchis nominated Cavada, 2nd by Torres, motion carried by unanimous vote.
2. Recommendation to City Council to approve the butterfly sculptures for Kimball Park, Las Palmas Park, and Butterfly Park: 1st by Mercado, 2nd by Virchis, motion carried by unanimous vote.

NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. National City Utility Box Project Update, Brad Raulston
There have been 12 utility boxes completed by Paul Ecdao and various artists, 2 utility boxes are in progress and a total of 50 utility boxes have been assigned to artists.

2. A Reason to Survive (ARTS) Update, Ashleigh Starke
ARTS has completed the beautification of the exterior at Casa De Salud Youth Center, which included working with the organization PEERS and youth. ARTS is working on a storm water educational mural comprised of rock, mirror and tiles on A Avenue. Ten youth apprentices from Sweetwater and 100 volunteers have participated in the creation. ARTS is creating a space-themed mosaic mural in the back parking lot of ARTS. ARTS is also partnering with youth at Southbay Community Church, YYK, the Garden Network and fire fighters to beautify the exterior of Fire Station 31. Lastly, 8 Sweetwater High students are working with artists to fabricate a line of pallet furniture.

3. Community Service Day Recap, Audrey Denham
For Community Service Day the City partnered with ARTS who is creating the mural on A Avenue. In addition, a youth artist oversaw the painting of a mural at Casa De Salud Youth Center.

CITY STAFF COMMENTS

1. Brad Raulston briefly discussed a one percent for art program that would benefit neighborhoods and provide funding for public art. The PAC advises City Council on matters of public art and has the choice to participate in public art as individuals. The PAC has no budget and is not directing resources. A PAC commissioner could be assigned to subcommittees for public art projects where funding is available.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

1st Virchis, 2nd Torres, motion carried by unanimous vote, meeting adjourned at 4:12 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the PAC is scheduled for Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 3:00 pm.

Brad Raulston, Executive Director

Manuel Cavada, Chair