

SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES

Meeting Date: December 18, 2002
12:00-1:00 p.m.

2030 Del Paso Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815

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COMMISSIONERS:

STEVEN DOERR	DONALD SRONCE
JOHN WONG	JAN GEIGER
NAN MAHON	GLORIA WOODLOCK
DAPHNE GAWTHROP, CHAIR	JOANNA DE LA CUESTA

I. CALL TO ORDER at the hour of 12:00 p.m. by Chair Gawthrop.

Present: Gawthrop, Geiger, Mahon, Sronce, Wong, Woodlock Absent: Doerr Excused: de la Cuesta

II. APPROVE AGENDA OF DECEMBER 18, 2002:

Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Mahon Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

III. APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20, 2002:

Moved: Sronce Seconded: Woodlock Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS (10 MINUTES): None

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVE NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER:

Natalie Bocanegra, AEO

COMMISSION ACTION: Motion: Woodlock Seconded: Geiger Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

Chair Gawthrop said that Bocanegra is an enthusiastic person and would be of great help to the AEO committee.

B. APPROVE GILHOOLY SCULPTURE DONATION (CITY/COUNTY) (BLOOM):

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Sronce Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

Bloom stated John Natsoulas is donating a sculpture by David Gilhooly called "Warthog". Bloom said that Gilhooly is a regional artist and suggested that the sculpture be placed in a children's area of a library. Wong asked if there was a professional appraisal done and Bloom answered that the amount is Gilhooly's personal appraisal on the sculpture.

C. APPROVE PURCHASE OF PHOTOGRAPHS BY ARTIST RONNIE JOHNSON (CITY) (BLOOM):

COMMISSION ACTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE WITH LETTER OF EXPLANATION:

Moved: Sronce Seconded: Wong Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

Bloom stated that Johnson is a local photographer and that the photographs have been in Mayor Fargo's office for some time. Bloom stated that the Mayor asked if the photographs could be purchased and added to the rotating collection for \$2,000. Bloom stated the photographs were of the Sacramento Skyline, as it was at the turning of the millennium, and had historical as well as artistic value. Bloom took the request to the APP Committee where it the purchase was were approved, noting the works were of high quality, the artist was renowned and they would make an excellent addition to the collection. The photographs would be moved to interim City Hall with the Mayor and join the rotating collection upon the opening of the permanent City Hall. Chair Gawthrop asked if there was a panel process in selecting these photographs. Bloom stated the APP committee sat as panel, but admitted the competitive protocol had not been met. Director Walker reaffirmed the direct purchase and insisted no precedent should be set by this purchase. Wong suggested the Commission write a letter listing specific reasons these photographs were approved and restating the protocols to be followed in the future.

D. APPROVE CITY PARK PROPOSAL BY ARTIST CHRISTY VRDEVOOGD (CITY) (BLOOM):

COMMISSION ACTION: Condition that the APP staff check on the height of the sculpture:

Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Sronce Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

Mottola stated that Vredevogd was the proposed artist for the Robla Park and that Councilmember Sheedy gave an extra \$3,000 to re-work her sculpture proposal. Mottola said that the sculpture has a total height of thirteen feet. Sronce added that the sculpture was high enough so that kids could not hurt themselves by jumping.

E. APPROVE ARTS PLAN FOR EXECUTIVE AIRPORT (COUNTY) (BLOOM):

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Mahon Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Absent: 2

Mottola stated that this sculpture is a water feature and the outer pool is forty feet in diameter. Mottola also stated that APP is giving \$45,000 for the artwork and taking \$5,000 for administration costs. Mottola said that the water feature has a twelve-foot inner pool and has fittings for a sculpture.

VI. PRESENTATION (S): None

VII. DISCUSSION: Director Walker stated that the Commission is celebrating its 25th anniversary. Director Walker stated that the Commission should do something to celebrate by having t-shirts and mugs made. Woodlock suggested that the arts organizations do something to salute us in their advertising in the coming year.

Director Walker suggested that we invite a member of the Elk Grove, Cirrus Heights and Rancho Cordova Arts Council to observe a Commission meeting.

VIII. PUBLIC TESTIMONY: None

IX. CHAIR'S REPORT: None

X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

XI. OLD OR NEW BUSINESS:

XII. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, meeting adjourned: 1:15 p.m.

THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2003