

MINUTES OF THE
SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION

Tuesday, June 1, 1982

Commissioners Present:

John Hansen, Chair
Jackie Caplan
Robert Else
Mitsuko Iwama
Marjorie McLain
David Rible
Terezita Romo
Jacqueline Springwater
Thomas E. Smail, Jr.
Sharon Walbridge

The June 1, 1982 meeting of the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission was called to order at 4:07 p.m. The minutes of the May 4, 1982 meeting were approved as read.

CHAIR REPORT (Hansen)

Chair Hansen reported that three Commissioners (Walbridge, Springwater, and Hansen) have expressed concern for the architectural design throughout the City and will be exploring the situation as a committee.

A letter has been written to the Mayor regarding the Natomas development asking for consideration for a percentage for art.

Jennifer Dowley and Bill Moskin have been collecting material pertaining to the subject of City architecture and will be forwarding it to the committee for review.

Ordinances have been obtained from the Planning Commission and the Architectural Review Board. It has been recommended that the Committee meet with commissioners from these other agencies to discuss the concerns in more detail.

Two City Commissioner's terms expire July 28. Applications for these positions will be accepted June 14-25. Chair Hansen's position (County) will also expire in July.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

APP (Else)

Judging of the Congressional Art Caucus' Young Artist Competition took place Tuesday morning, June 1, at the Arts Commission office on "J" Street. The APP Committee approved the winning selection Tuesday afternoon. Don Herberholz, professor at Sacramento State University judged the 25 entries. The winning selection was from San Juan High School, entered by 16 year old Vicente Golveo. All entries will be displayed at the California Arts Council June 7-11. A motion was made by Commissioner Else and seconded by Commissioner Springwater that SMAC approve the APP Committee's winning selection in the Young Artist Competition. The motion was passed unanimously. It was requested that a letter of appreciation be sent to Don Herberholz for his assistance in this project.

Research and Planning (Romo)

Commissioner Romo has asked that the Research and Planning Committee meet twice in June in order to finish establishing program priorities for the Arts Plan.

The Plan was approved by the Sacramento City Council and Board of Supervisors. The Folsom City Council will vote on the plan June 7th. The County has asked SMAC to develop new criteria for the Cultural and Civic Awards Program. This must be completed by August.

The next regular meeting of the Research and Planning Committee is scheduled for June 29th. A special meeting will be held on Thursday, June 17th at 3:30 p.m. to complete prioritizing the Arts Plan.

Director Moskin has acquired the City of Los Angeles ordinance dealing with living and working spaces for artists. He also has a letter from the Los Angeles Planning Department that deals with relaxing the code on industrial spaces for artists. He has sent for the ACA study on arts funding.

Criteria from the 1981-82 Cultural and Civic Award Program was passed out for review and comments.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Moskin)

Peggy McDonald reported on the Street Artist Program. She brought the Commission up-to-date on the program's development and announced that the summer program will run from July 1 - October 1 at various locations on the K Street Mall. Auditions will be held at 5:30 p.m. on June 23, August 11, and September 8 at the Coloma Community Center.

Artists selected for the program will be issued a special permit and I.D. badge. The Downtown Merchants Association will be in charge of scheduling and promotion. Performers will be paid through public donation.

If any Commissioner is interested in participating as a panel member for auditions call Peggy McDonald or Jennifer Dowley.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Caplan voiced a concern regarding the criteria followed in selecting the temporary sculpture installations for Sculpture Sacramento. Her concern focused on the selection of David Stone's proposal for the SMUD grounds and the community's reaction towards the Arts Commission sponsoring an artist to cover boulders with astro turf.

Commissioner Else responded by explaining that the APP Committee selected the best jury that they could; that the judging was done objectively. He further explained that there is bound to be a certain amount of risk involved in selecting an art piece, as far as community reaction is concerned. There is bound to be a great range of feelings towards all of the selections. All of the money that will be used to support the installations has been raised through private contributions. There will be no expenditures of public dollars. Another important factor is that the installations are only temporary. There would be a greater need for concern of public reaction if these were permanent installations.

A discussion continued regarding SMAC's role/obligation to educate/expose the community to art.

Commissioner Walbridge suggested that the issue be discussed with Jennifer Dowley at the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Springwater recommended a mini-tour for Commissioners of the sculpture sites and proposals to acquire a more thorough understanding of the entire project.

Commissioner Rible made the suggestion that all Commissioners attend the next APP meeting to view all of the proposals. The meeting will be held June 15 at 3:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Susan Willoughby, President of the newly formed "Friends of the Arts Commission" gave a brief background on the development of the organization. Now certified with non-profit status, "Friends..." will be devoted to supporting SMAC activities. "Friends..." is currently involved in their first membership drive and fundraiser. On Saturday, June 19th, "Friends...", in conjunction with the Runyon-Saltzman Agency and KFBK/KAER radio will be sponsoring the 1st Annual Country Western Arts Fair. The event will be held at the KFBK/KAER parking lot.

Ms. Willoughby asked the Commission to compile a priority list of SMAC activities requiring funding, by the September meeting, that "Friends..." can be involved with for the next year.

Director Moskin reported that SMAC's 1982-83FY budget has been approved as submitted by the Budget and Finance Committee. Included in the new budget are a .5 clerical position and the Art in Public Places Coordinator position. The budget is \$10,000 higher than last year, totalling approximately \$167,000. This figure will be subject to final City Council approval in June.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Elliot

Secretary

MOTION PROPOSED BY:

SECONDED:

	AYE	NO	ABSENT OR NOT VOTING
CAPLAN	<u>3:55</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
ELSE	<u>3:58</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
HANSEN	<u>3:57</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
McLAIN	<u>3:47</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
RIBLE	<u>3:58</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
ROMO	<u>3:57</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
SMAIL	<u>4:15</u>	<u>5:15</u>	<u> </u>
SPRINGWATER	<u>3:55</u>	<u>5:20</u>	<u> </u>
WALBRIDGE	<u>3:57</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>
IWAMA	<u>3:57</u>	<u>5:40</u>	<u> </u>

PASSED:

DEFEATED:

NOTE: Bill Moskin did not arrive to meeting until approximately 5:20 due to his attendance at the budget and finance committee meeting.