

MISSOULA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES APRIL 21, 2015

Notes taken by Ted Hughes, PAC.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** Present Peter Lambros, Ted Hughes, Doug Olson, Kathi Olson. **Not a quorum.**
From the community: Tom Benson.
2. **Public Comment.** None.
3. Approval of minutes. Committee lacks a quorum, so approval of minutes is postponed.
4. **Art Calls and Projects.**
 - a. **Silver Park**
 - i. Committee reviews timeline of events since approval of George Ybarra's Persistence and Passage, including meetings, fabrication, site visits, lighting discussions, etc., up until now. What next? Refer to artist contract for complete estimated timeline.
 - ii. Has Parks officially signed off on placement of artwork?
 - iii. Just learned that George Ybarra needs a building permit to construct the sculpture. Contract indicates this will be waved. Chair will contact Mayor and Council about this.
 - iv. Committee will collect together all minutes and other pertinent information related to Silver Park selection committee meeting.
 - b. **Pineview Park**
 - i. Selection committee narrowed submissions down to three.
 - ii. Artist interviews are Tuesday May 5th, at Pineview Park. Meet at 3:20pm.
 - iii. A representative from Parks (Alan White) and community member Bill Bevis will be there. Need a good turnout from PAC members please!
 - c. **Traffic Signal Boxes.**
 - i. Twelve attendees at informational meeting on April 9th.
 - ii. Deadline for submissions is May 29th.
 - iii. Some committee discussion about difficulty of navigating City website to find art calls.
5. **Public Art Guide.**
 - a. Art guide is almost ready to be published. Available Memorial Day Weekend.
6. **Miscellaneous Business**
 - a. Montana's Cultural Treasures (I think this is the publication) advertisement is in place.
 - b. Justin Anthony repaired some slight damage to his artwork "Wave" at Splash Montana. Submitted invoice for \$250. Approved by committee (or okay to handle administratively?).
 - c. Still looking in to using PAC funds to send Tom Benson to Chicago for Public Art seminar sponsored by American Alliance for the Arts.
7. **Updates on possible organization PAC/Missoula Cultural Council Structure.**
 - a. Provide staff help (1/2 FTE?) for organization, technology, etc.

- b. Having no office, whether web based or brick and mortar is problematic for having all information in one place.
- c. Tom Benson of MCC has attended recent meetings and met with chair to discuss situation.
- d. Rewriting the Percent for Art ordinance may be requested in the near future.
 - i. Need increased funding, especially for maintenance and admin.
 - ii. Seek a line item funding as part of City budget, outside of Percent for Art ordinance, for consistency's sake.