



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION Nov. 8, 2006

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission at 6 p.m. on Nov. 8, 2006, at the Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Betsy Fahlman, Chair
Scott Burge, Vice Chair
Robert Bortfeld
Ed Coyoli
Scott Essex
Nancy Goren
Donna Goyette
Lise Hawkos
Paul Hubbell
Lisa Morley
Linda Sleight
Cynthia Viera

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Kate Hanley
Ben Tyler

City Staff Present:

Jody Ulich, Deputy Community Services Director
Michelle Nichols Dock, Gallery Coordinator
Elizabeth Lagman, Public Art Specialist
Rachael Peterson, Cultural Services Division Admin.

Public in attendance:

Steve Martin, Childsplay

Agenda Item 1 – Call to order

Betsy Fahlman called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Oct. 11 Commission minutes

MOTION: Lisa Morley moved to approve the minutes.
SECOND: Ed Coyoli seconded.
DECISION: Minutes approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Director’s Report

- Jody Ulich reviewed a Tempe Community Dialogue session that occurred with a primary focus on determining a sense of place in the Tempe downtown area. Arts, Culture and Public Art were elements of high-interest; ASU Gammage and the Tempe Center for the Arts were recognized as being large downtown Tempe landmarks.
- Jody announced the publication of “PHOENIX: 21st Century City.” This is the fourth book in a Booth-Clibborn Editions international series on new emerging cities for art, design and architecture. Each book in the series captures a time when a particular city is going through change, reinvention and a movement toward vibrancy. The other three cities in the series are Berlin, Brooklyn and Moscow.

- Jody encouraged TMAC members to view a new television program, "Buzz." This Channel 8 program comprises television, an interactive website and uniquely Arizona educational materials that help meet new Arizona arts standards. Jody announced the premiere of "Buzz" at 7 and 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 9. Additional information on "Buzz" may be obtained from the show's website at www.azpbs.org/buzz.
- Jody encouraged commission members to attend the Boards and Commissions Dinner from 6 to 10 p.m. on Dec. 1 at Diablo Stadium (Rescheduled from 11/03/06).

Agenda Item 4 – Chairperson's Report

- No report.

Agenda Item 5 – New Business

- Michelle Nichols Dock, Tempe Galleries Coordinator, presented images and distributed information on the John Lennon Bus Project. Michelle intends to present this nonprofit multimedia program on wheels in conjunction with the Roy Orbison show Feb. 5-7. Potential "bus stops" include Tempe High School and ASU.
- Michelle indicated that funding for the John Lennon Bus Project will come primarily from an Arizona Commission on the Arts grant. Additional expenses include hotel and meal costs for the project's crew. The city of Tempe is able to provide \$3,000 in funding for additional project costs.
- Lisa Morley recommended the project be presented at a location accessible to multiple high school programs.
- Jody Ulich stated that additional project expenses not covered by the Arizona Commission on the Arts grant will come from a city fund titled, "Special Projects."
- Robert Bortfeld suggested all project funding be appropriately displayed as a line item explaining the origin of the fund.

MOTION: Robert Bortfeld moved to approve the John Lennon Bus Project.

SECOND: Lisa Morley seconded.

DECISION: John Lennon Bus Project approved.

- Jody Ulich presented a recommendation for the 2007 Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Slate of Officers. The recommended slate was as follows:
Chair – Scott Burge
Vice-Chair – Paul Hubbell

MOTION: Lisa Morley moved to approve the 2007 TMAC Slate of Officers.

SECOND: Ed Coyoli seconded.

DECISION: 2007 TMAC Slate of Officers approved.

Agenda Item 6a – Public Art/AIPD Committee

- Elizabeth Lagman, Public Art Specialist, presented a temporary public art project titled, "Shared Terrain." This project is a joint ASU/city of Tempe project facilitated by Lagman, Tempe Public Art, and Diane Cripe, ASU Public Art.
- Lagman announced the Shared Terrain Panel selection of two artists, Nicole Kistler and Chris Coleman. Kistler's design is a temporary installation of lawn ornaments on the

lawn of ASU Gammage facing Mill Ave.; Coleman's design is a temporary installation of irrigation flags at Birchett Park. Each artist will receive an honorarium of \$5,000.

MOTION: Robert Bortfeld moved to approve the Shared Terrain artist selection.

SECOND: Ed Coyoli seconded.

DECISION: Shared Terrain artist selection approved.

Agenda Item 6b– Grants Committee

- No new business.

Agenda Item 6c– Communications/Advocacy Committee

- No new business.

Agenda Item 6d– Facility Committee

- Robert Bortfeld stated that the committee discussed the selection of a Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) exclusive caterer, RK Group, and the Fall 2007 TCA User Group Schedule.
- He mentioned the importance of communicating with the TCA User Groups as Steve Martin, Childsplay, stated the Childsplay organization believes that it has not been properly informed about the building progress of the TCA.
- Bortfeld stated that the future of the Tempe Performing Arts Center is to be determined after the conclusion of the TCA construction.
- Bortfeld stated the TCA Rules and Regulations document was forwarded to the subcommittee of the Arts and Community Services City Council Committee for approval.
- He announced a change in the Facility Committee's scheduled meeting time. The committee will meet the second Wednesday of every month at 5 p.m. in the Tempe Public Library Board Room.

Agenda Item 7 – Old Business

- Nancy Goren encouraged TMAC members to view the senior art show, "Art with a Silver Lining," on display 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. on the second floor of the Tempe Public Library through Jan. 26.
- Lisa Morley inquired about the viewing and selection process of six additional Filippo Tagliati TCA prints. Betsy Fahlman stated the additional prints are works in progress and the completion time is to be determined.
- Jody Ulich announced the finalization of Childsplay's purchase of the Mitchell School from the city of Tempe.
- Goren stated Childsplay intends to offer drama instructional programming at the Mitchell School.
- Ed Coyoli recommended Jody Ulich provide an update on the development west of the TCA as a reoccurring agenda item in the Cultural Services Director's Report.
- Jody Ulich stated the Tempe City Council decided to abandon the RFP process for proposed developments west of the TCA after it recognized that the RFP process was flawed.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Dec. 13 in the Library Board Room.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Prepared by: Rachael A. Peterson

Reviewed by: Jody Ulich

Authorized Signature
Position/Title