Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission held at 9 a.m. on April 21, 2007, at the Tempe Historical Museum Board Room, 809 W. Southern Ave., Tempe, Arizona.

**MEMBERS Present:**
Scott Burge, Chair
Robert Bortfeld
Ed Coyoli
Betsy Fahlman
Nancy Goren
Donna Goyette
Kate Hanley
Lise Hawkos
Shirlee King
Lisa Morley
Linda Sleight
Richard Strange

**MEMBERS Absent:**
Paul Hubbell, Vice Chair
Scott Essex
Cynthia Viera

**City Staff Present:**
Adrienne Richwine, Fine Arts Supervisor
Don Fassinger, Cultural Facilities Administrator
Mary Fowler, Management Assistant
Elizabeth Lagman, Public Art Specialist
Linda Taylor, Administrative Assistant

**Guests Present:**
Mayor Hugh Hallman
Filippo Tagliati, Artist

Meeting convened at 9 a.m.

**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order**
Scott Burge, Commission Chair, called the meeting to order. Adrienne Richwine provided building logistics.

**Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Feb. 14 Commission minutes**
**MOTION:** Betsy Fahlman moved to approve the minutes of the Feb. 14 meeting.
**SECOND:** Nancy Goren seconded.
**DECISION:** Minutes approved.

**Agenda Item 3 – Committee Reports**
A. Public Art/AIPD
   1) Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) – photograph purchase
      B. Fahlman introduced Filippo Tagliati, who presented 18 photographs of construction of the TCA and explained his artistic process.
      **MOTION:** Lise Hawkos moved to purchase all 18 photographs at a cost of $500 each.
      **SECOND:** Robert Bortfeld seconded.
      **DECISION:** Purchase approved.

   2) Tilted Landscape, Carl Cheng
      Elizabeth Lagman opened a discussion regarding restoration of the art piece in front of the Public Library by Carl Cheng.
MOTION: R. Bortfeld moved to approve the artist’s contract of $49,000.
SECOND: Ed Coyoli seconded.
DECISION: Contract approved.

3) AIPD, Dick’s Sporting Goods
B. Fahlman presented the proposed artwork by David Brandt for Dick’s Sporting Goods. Discussion was held.
MOTION: R. Bortfeld moved to approve the project.
SECOND: B. Fahlman seconded.
DECISION: Project approved

4) AIPD, Riverside Plaza, Phase III
B. Fahlman presented the proposed art piece by David Brandt for Riverside Plaza. Discussion was held.
MOTION: R. Bortfeld moved to approve the project.
SECOND: Linda Sleight seconded.
DECISION: Project approved.

B. Grants Committee
ASU Herberger College at Large & For Kids Mini Grant Application
L. Sleight presented information regarding the summer high school art studio program.
MOTION: Donna Goyette moved to approve the mini-grant.
SECOND: N. Goren seconded.
DECISION: Mini-grant approved.

Agenda Item 4 – Annual Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Retreat
S. Burge introduced Shirlee King and Richard Strange, two new members of the Commission. Scott asked all Committee members to make sure they understand their responsibilities as Commissioners and Committee members and to remain true to the bylaws. He also requested feedback on the need for possible new committees and an action plan by the end of the year from each Committee.

A. Bylaws
S. Burge requested an Agenda item for the next meeting to discuss the bylaws and any potential revisions.

B. Facilities Committee
E. Coyoli requested future discussion of the committee’s role in respect to the TCA and to applications for TCA Partnership. He suggested that the TCA Partner criteria be revisited. Scott tasked the Committee to create a mission statement.

C. Grants Committee
L. Sleight recommended the Commission consider increasing the CIP budget for the Grants Committee, if extra monies are available. Grant requests are in excess of $300,000 and the current budget is $165,000. S. Burge noted the request should be discussed at the budget meetings.

D. Public Art/AIPD Committee
Budget was discussed.

E. Communication & Advocacy Committee
S. Burge suggested discontinuing “Art News.” Mary Fowler discussed the potential of incorporating the information into a new publication that showcases the TCA brand. The Committee will address at a future meeting. Discussion followed about the Commission taking a more proactive role in promoting the arts in Tempe.

**Agenda Item 4 – Tempe Center for the Arts Update**

1. Don Fassinger outlined plans for the Sept. 7-9 grand opening of the TCA. Additional discussion focused on possible Commission involvement in TCA operations and programming. Don suggested that a Facilities Committee member attend the Partner Group meetings and act as a liaison to the Commission.
2. Don also suggested that an ADHOC committee look at potential involvement in programming.
3. E. Coyoli requested that future Agendas include an update regarding development plans west of the TCA.

**Guest Speaker – Mayor Hugh Hallman**

Mayor Hallman thanked the Commission for serving the community. The Mayor was asked what he sees as the Commission’s role. He informed the Commission Members that there is currently a global review for consistency of the ordinances ruling Boards and Commissions. Duties should be carried out as defined in the ordinance. He suggested the Commission has a responsibility to empower itself. Discussion followed. S. Burge thanked Mayor Hallman for attending.

The Commission’s next meeting will be at 6 p.m. on May 9 in the Library Board Room.

**Meeting adjourned at Noon.**

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