

Minutes of the
City of Gig Harbor Arts Commission
July 12, 2005
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Renee Crist called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and roll was taken.

PRESENT: Commissioners Renee Crist, Lita Dawn Stanton, Kit Kuhn, Mary Rae Lund, Del Woock, Chris Erlich, and Nancy Weaver. Absent and excused were Betty Willis, Karla Epperson, and Staff Member, Maureen Whitaker. Also absent was Nancy Weaver. Chris Erlich took minutes of the proceedings in the absence of Maureen.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The members read the minutes of the June 14, 2005, meeting.

MOTION: Approval of the June 14, 2005, meeting minutes as presented. Erlich/Stanton – unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Banners:** Renee informed members that all the spring banners were up and looked great. They are located along Harborview Drive and Pt. Fosdick. The Commission has completed the banner project and has no plans to do more. The existing fall and spring banners will continue to be used until they wear out.
2. **Rotary Pavilion:** Renee reported that the project is moving along. The city has sent the contract to the artist, and they are waiting its return. The contract calls for installation by March 2006. Total cost, \$7,000, 5K from us and 2K from Rotary. There is nothing more for the Commission to do at this time.
3. **GHAC Calendar:** The Commission reviewed the calendar. An edit was made to add in September and call for artist for any special projects, and in April/May to follow up on these.
4. **Rotating Public Art Program:** Chris presented materials from Puyallup about their Downtown Arts program (brochures, calendar). The Commission discussed the possibility of the GHAC starting a similar project of in Gig Harbor, to be held every other year alternating with the “Salmonchanted Harbor” program (perhaps using some of the same pedestals). Chris suggested it be run by a subcommittee of the GHAC, drawing on volunteers outside the Commission. She offered to chair the committee and bring a plan/calendar and a budget to the next GHAC meeting. The Commission was supportive, pending the plan and budget. Chris will talk to Laureen about marketing support, Mark about insurance, and Dave about potential sites.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Budget:** The Commission reviewed last year's budget request and our current balance set aside for acquisitions (approximately \$47,000 after the 5K yet to spend on Rotary project). Discussion began regarding our budget request for next year. Members agreed to request 20K for grants, and another 30K for acquisitions, though no motion made at the meeting. We need to let the council know that we are still planning on spending some of the acquisition funds on art for the Cushman trail head (per last year's budget request) and just waiting to hear from Dave about the project's status. Some of the acquisition funds may also be used to purchase art as part of the rotating art program discussed above, pending the Commission's review and approval of the proposal at the next meeting.

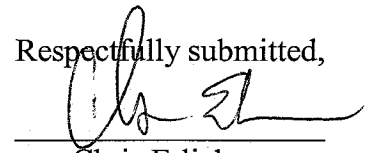
NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

August 9, 2005, 7:00 P.M.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 8:10 P.M. – unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Erlich

(for Maureen Whitaker)