

CITY OF GIG HARBOR COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

City of Gig Harbor Art Commission (Name of Committee, Board, Task Force, Commission)

Date: May 6, 2008 Time: 7:00 p.m. Location: Engineering/Operations Conf Rm Scribe: Maureen Whitaker

Commission Members and Staff Present: Carolyn Scott Arnold, Ron Carson, Michael Jones, Mary Rae Lund, Karen Peck, Dale Strickland, and Maureen Whitaker, Assistant City Clerk.


Absent: Bob Sullivan

Approval of the March 11 and April 8, 2008 meeting minutes as presented. Carson/Strickland – unanimously approved.

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New Business:		
<p>I. Review of GHAC new commissioners application letters</p>	<p>Vice Chair Mike Jones opened the discussion requesting comments, suggestions, and recommendations regarding the GHAC applications.</p> <p>The commissioners reviewed and commented on the five applications received. Some of the applicants possessed more experience in the arts than others.</p>	<p>Mr. Jones reminded everyone that the city is not obligated to fill all of the vacant seats.</p> <p>Mr. Strickland asked if there would be an interview and suggested a representative from the GHAC be present at the interviews.</p> <p>Commissioner Carson noted that it is important for new members to have expertise in the arts and a business focus if possible.</p>
<p>a. Farewell to Sally Dutton and Mary Rae Lund</p>	<p>The commissioners thanked Ms. Lund for her hard work and years of service. It was well-noted that she will be sorely missed by all. Ms. Lund was kind enough to substitute for Ms. Dutton</p>	

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	during her illness. Ms. Dutton's term expired on March 31, 2008.	
b. New members to attend the June 9 th meeting (rescheduled).	The commissioners acknowledged the change of meeting date.	
c. Summer calendar	Vice Chair Jones reviewed the summer meeting calendar and asked if there were any foreseen scheduling conflicts.	Although individual vacation schedules had not yet been solidified, there did not appear to be any major scheduling/vacation conflicts noted at this time.
<p>II. Review and comments on City Council Work Session</p> <p>a. Flowchart</p> <p>b. Public Art Questionnaire</p> <p>c. Other comments</p>	<p>Commission Vice Chair Jones commented that the worksession went well and thought that there was good feedback in both directions. The City Council liked the Flowchart and Public Art Questionnaire forms that were developed.</p> <p>Mr. Strickland commended those commissioners that addressed Council and gave them kudos for such an organized presentation.</p> <p>Mr. Carson noted that there was diversity in the opinions shared by Council, which has the potential for many good ideas.</p>	
III. Public Art Forum. Format, timeline, workload.	There was discussion about the Public Art Questionnaire/Community Forum that was thought to be held in June in preparation for the '09 budget. Prior to the forum, the Public Art Questionnaire would be published in the Gateway and	<p>Commissioner Lund encouraged the group to move forward on this since it was brought up to Council.</p> <p>Maureen and Laureen Lund will handle the publicity and Maureen will handle the</p>

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	<p>on the city's website and available at City Hall. At the Community Forum, the results from the Public Art Questionnaire would be presented.</p> <p>Commissioner Carson suggested that we ask the Peninsula Art League if the Public Art Questionnaire could be placed with their art show at the Key Bank during the Summer Art Festival. The group agreed that this would be great exposure. Ms. Lund also suggested that the questionnaire be included in PAL's newsletter which goes out to approximately 200 artists.</p> <p>It was noted that the Council was provided with the Public Art Questionnaire to fill out and return to Maureen.</p>	<p>preparation and set-up.</p> <p>Maureen to resend the Public Art Questionnaire form to City Council. Only one response has been received to date from a Parks Commissioner.</p> <p>This discussion was tabled until the next meeting.</p>
<p>IV. Update on Judson/Harborview Stakeholder Meeting</p>	<p>Commissioner Carson attended the recent stakeholders meeting with the city's consultant Eric Schmidt. Mr. Carson reported that the impetus for this project is due to the roadway deterioration and failing infrastructure.</p> <p>Other items discussed at stakeholders meeting: <u>Old Harbor Inn to Tides Tavern:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Looked at sidewalk widths - Lighting - Parking configurations 	<p>Stakeholders want the art included now.</p> <p>May 13th – next meeting.</p> <p>Adopt proposal by Sept. 1st. GHAC has been asked to make recommendation by this date. Some additional areas for public art include: sidewalks and retaining walls. The GHAC discussed the possibility of distance markers embedded in the sidewalk as one possibility. Mr. Carson requested the commissioners</p>

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	<u>Judson Street:</u> - possibility of one-way street with angled parking. - Could be a prime location for public art.	to begin building a portfolio now. He asked the commissioners to notice the similarities and variety of street lights, trash cans, benches throughout the city. This might be an area that the GHAC would like to weigh-in on.
V. Update on Torrens Public Artwork/Contract		Tabled until next meeting.
Old Business:		
VI. Bogue Viewing Platform RFP	Commissioner Strickland proposed the idea of a wall mural that captured the Scandinavian folklore with mosaic tiles in the native colors. He suggested that a folklore statement could be incorporated with the mural. His suggested placement was in the flower bed on the south side of the site which would be very visible and not obstruct the view.	The commissioners discussed meeting at the Bogue Viewing Platform the next evening at 6:30 p.m.
VII. Website. Volunteer to work with City on Design		Tabled until next meeting.
<p>Motion for adjournment: Lund/Strickland- unanimously approved. 9:10 p.m.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p></p> <p>Maureen Whitaker</p>		