



GIG HARBOR ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: March 11, 2014
TIME: 5:35 pm
LOCATION: Executive Conference Room
SCRIBE: Lita Dawn Stanton
MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlee Glock-Jackson, Tracy von Trotha, Martha Reisdorf, Jeni Woock, Mardie Rees, Janine Miller (Neil Sampson, Dale Strickland, excused)
STAFF PRESENT: Lita Dawn Stanton
MINUTES: Approval of GHAC Dec 10, 2013 Minutes with changes (Woock/Reisdorf)

Membership / Term Confirmations and Election of Officers (moved to end of meeting)
The City's Boards and Candidates Committee will meet tomorrow (Mar 12). Delay election until membership is approved by that Committee.

Old Business

1. NETSHED ART PROJECT

DISCUSSION

Anne Knapp (not present) reported that a sponsor is willing to fund a reception for the opening of the Civic Center show (May 1 to June 16).

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP.

Staff and Commissioner Miller will provide support (hanging, netshed history info, and coordination with marking department).

2. EDDON BOAT PARK ART

DISCUSSION

Staff reported that the ribbon-cutting for the granite sculptures was well-attended.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

None.

3. MEDIA MEET & GREET

DISCUSSION

Glock-Jackson reported that the next workshop "How to Build and Maintain a Website" will be dependent on Commissioner Sampson's availability. Square Space, Go Daddy, Wix, Weebly, and Network Solutions offer free web templates and may provide training. Glock-Jackson will "cross-pollinate" with the Waterfront Alliance since downtown businesses would benefit from training. Consider an annual update of the "Media Workshop".

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Move to Jun 2014 Agenda and consider other resources for training.

4. OUTDOOR GALLERY PROGRAM CALL FOR ARTISTS

DISCUSSION

Staff reported that there have been no calls or submittals. Wa State Arts Commission will post the call on their website. (The RFP is posted with no close-date). Consider a request to fund permanent art on the pedestals and adding another basalt pedestal in front of the Ancich Park when it is developed.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Staff will add this to the Commission's 2014 Work Plan that will be presented to the Operations Committee on March 20.

5. OUTDOOR ART / SELF-GUIDED TOUR

DISCUSSION

Coordinate with the Waterfront Alliance Organization when they reprint downtown maps.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Commissioner Rees will follow-up with Alliance.

6. PLAYZONE and WOOD SCULPTURE AT CITY PARK

DISCUSSION

Installation of wood sculpture is spectacular. The Playzone structure (boat, swings, play equipment) is underway.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Add to Mar 2014 Agenda

7. PUBLIC ART AT BOGUE VIEWING PLATFORM

DISCUSSION

Nakamura's contract is being finalized and installation is expected spring/summer.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Staff will notify Commission to coordinate dedication/ribbon-cutting ceremony schedule.

Public Announcements and Other Business

1. PAL SHOW

Glock-Jackson suggested adding a monetary award to the "Commissioners Choice" certificate given annually as part of the Peninsula Art League Juried Show. The Commission agreed not to give monetary awards ("Purchase Award") to individual organizations.

2. FUNDS FOR THE ARTS

Commissioner Miller suggested renting booth space for artists at farmers markets and other venues at Skansie Park as a way to raise funds for the arts (percentage of sales). Consider other ways to raise funds that will benefit the arts.

3. PROPOSED COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT

Council's February Retreat included a discussion regarding a preference that all Committee, Commission, and Board members reside within city limits or, at a minimum, within our Urban Growth Area (UGA) boundaries. Staff will request that allowances be considered during the March 20 Operations Committee meeting.

4. 2014 WORK PLAN

Council's February Retreat included a request that the Arts Commission formulate an annual **Work Plan** that can be reviewed by the Operations Committee each year. This would give Council an opportunity to review, direct (if desired), and improve communications. Staff will prepare a thumbnail 2014 Work Plan to include the following items and circulate to the Commission prior to the March 20 meeting:

- Reduce membership from 9 to 7 (per Council input)
- Increase meetings from 4 to 6 times annually
- Initiate RFP for maritime-themed public art at Maritime Pier (already permitted)
- Continue the "*Meet and Greet*" series of public workshops
- Initiate RFP to purchase *permanent* art on two existing basalt pedestals on Harborview
- Add basalt pedestal for art in front of Ancich Park
- Actively seek funding partnerships for public art projects
- Create "self-guided tour" publication for city-owned art
- Complete the "NetShed Show" project (May 1 to June 16)
- Get direction on what is considered a "city park" to clarify the review process

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **June 10, 2014**.