



## RENTON MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION

### Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2012  
4:30 p.m.

Renton City Hall  
Council Conference Room (7<sup>th</sup> Floor)

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Municipal Arts Commissioners Present: Ben Andrews, Jaris English, Peter Hartley, Paul Hebron, Bill Huls, Doug Kyes, Britt McKenzie, Evelyn Reingold, Denise Zullig

Municipal Arts Commissioners Absent: Jerri Everett, Natalie Gress, Jon Schindehette

City Staff Present: Jennifer Davis Hayes, Community & Economic Development;  
City Staff Absent: Vincent Orduna, Community Services

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Commission Vice Chair Peter Hartley called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Guests included: Andee Jorgenson from Allied Arts was in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Vice Chair Peter Hartley read the minutes for March to the group and asked if anyone had any comments. DOUG KEYES MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES, SECONDED BY DENISE ZULLIG. COMMISSIONERS CONCURED, MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC ART PIECE OF THE MONTH:** Jaris English distributed a report on Chief Sealth - the bronze drinking fountain in Renton by artist James A. When and donated to the city by volunteer firefighters in 1910. No indication of needed repairs. Next month's presentation will be about The Coal Miners at the Highlands Library, to be presented by Natalie Gress.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Jennifer Davis Hayes passed around the folder for people to review. There will be a City Volunteer Appreciation Banquet at the Renton Pavilion Event Center on April 19 at 5:30 p.m. Invitations were distributed for the Evergreen City Ballet's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Gala and Auction on Saturday, April 28 at Emerald Downs.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Action Item List**

#### **Arts Commission Committees**

**Resource Development:** Peter Hartley asked for input from the various committees about anticipated upcoming projects which will require funding.

**1% for the Arts:** Denise Zullig reported on the Public Corridor Plan to hire a consultant. The project scope was discussed as to add the potential of relocating artwork as one of the options to the RFP. Denise Zullig reported that two bids have been obtained to repair "Emerging" that will be moved with the Garden Ave N Project. The partial restoration and repair is for \$4075. The alternative plan would be

a complete restoration for \$9300. Denise recommended the total fix. Paul Hebron questioned the potential for future water damage and asked about a warranty for the work. Jennifer Davis Hayes will check on this and a vote will be taken by email.

Jennifer Davis Hayes reported that the tapestry at the Senior Activity Center which has been over-handled will be moved to a better location, and quotes will be obtained for cleaning and re-framing.

Communications & Marketing: Jaris English distributed minutes from the first meeting of ACT (Arts Communications Taskforce) April 12 at Luther's Table at noon. The agenda will include prioritizing based on objective criteria, and establishing clear goals.

Performing Arts In Renton (PAIR): No action required.

Art Center: The Liberty Park Building Steering Committee will deliver their recommendation to the City Council on Monday, April 16. Doug Kyes talked about the progress of the steering committee regarding the potential location of the Art Center at the old library. Research continues on the Art Center Committee for the Master Plan.

Galvanizing Project: Denise Zullig announced the results of the voting at the Spring Equinox on the five proposed Galvanizing Projects. The favorite was the Lighting Project. This is still in a broad conceptual phase and putting the votes out for the community will most likely wait until there is an artist-created concept with more details. The next meeting will be April 9 at 3:30 p.m. at the community room at the Downtown Library.

### **Ad Hoc Committees**

Spring Arts Equinox: Jennifer Davis Hayes said there would be a de-briefing session on Tuesday about the Spring Equinox in terms of what worked and what didn't to aid in planning for the Fall Equinox. Most people feel that the event was more successful than last year's.

Renton River Days Booth: The Commissioners plan for interactive games, such as Toss Across and Mask Painting. Plan to collect names and email addresses and hold a raffle. The Key Club and others will be asked to help with the booth.

### **Commission Projects**

Carco Theatre: Britt McKenzie distributed posters to advertise the Artist's Reception for photographer, Lesli Cohan – April 14 from 5 – 7 in the Carco Lobby. There will be a reception on Saturday, April 14.

Library Architecture Design Team: Ben Andrews reported on the meeting with architects and talked about the goal of incorporating art into the architecture for the Highlands Library. Revisions on the designs are in process. The Downtown Library design plans are on hold until further notice.

SIFF/Renton FilmFrenzy: Jennifer Davis Hayes distributed some post cards promoting SIFF-Renton from May 18-24. Ben Andrews requested ideas for marketing the festival.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

2012-2013 Goals and Updated Brochure: Jaris English distributed draft copies of the new brochure and asked for suggestions and corrections within 2 weeks.

Commission Retreat: Jennifer Davis Hayes said the retreat would be in May. Discussion involved the format - what type of activities, etc.; what we want to gain as a group from this event moving forward.

Adjournment: The March 6, 2012, meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. The next meeting will be held on May 1, 2012, in the Conferencing Center at 4:30 p.m.

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Britt McKenzie, Chair