



# County of Santa Cruz

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JOE SCHULTZ, DIRECTOR

### ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, April 5, 2010  
4:30 PM  
Meeting

**Simpkins Family Swim Center**  
979 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

#### I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m.

Members: Shirlee Byrd, Cynthia Kilian, James Nee, Joanna Phillips, Judy Stabile, Bobbi Todaro, Evelyn Bernstein

Present: Shirlee Byrd, Cynthia Kilian, James Nee, Joanna Phillips, Judy Stabile, Bobbi Todaro, Evelyn Bernstein

Staff: Joe Schultz, Christine Bennett, Kathy DeWild

#### II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS OR APPROVAL

The agenda was accepted as written (Byrd/Stabile 6/0 – Bernstein arrived late).

#### III. CONSENT AGENDA

The information and reports were accepted and filed (Phillips/Stabile 6/0 – Bernstein arrived late) and the minutes of March 1, 2010 were approved (Nee/Stabile 6/0 – Bernstein arrived late).

#### IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Todaro attended the Cultural Council's 'Primavera' event and stated that it was well-produced fundraising event and was well-attended. Commissioner Kilian stated that the Santa Cruz Symphony held three events last month and did a fundraiser to help for next fiscal year which brought in \$119K out of the \$150K goal.

#### V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Schultz reminded the Commissioners that until the vacancies on the Commission are filled, we will struggle to meet a quorum with just one absence. Commissioner Nee will be gone for two or three months so all other members need to be present or there will be no quorum. Director Schultz also stated that the department had to make 20% cuts in the budget and now the County is negotiating with the bargaining units to determine how to save jobs (might result in increased furlough).

## **VI. AGENDA**

### **A. Action Items**

#### **1. Recognition for incorporating public art in private projects**

Commissioner Phillips stated that the committee has not met yet, but they need to soon. Commissioner Byrd requested that they add another member and Commissioner Kilian volunteered to participate.

#### **2. Review Emerging Artist Award Criteria (draft)**

Commissioner Stabile stated that a draft was created and e-mailed to Commissioner Todaro and Kathy DeWild, but that Commissioner Byrd has not seen it yet. The committee will meet and provide a draft to the other commissioners next month.

#### **3. Review Artist of the Year Award selection process revamp (draft)**

Commissioner Stabile stated that a draft was created and e-mailed to Commissioner Todaro and Kathy DeWild, but that Commissioner Byrd has not seen it yet. The committee will meet and provide a draft to the other commissioners next month.

### **B. Information Items**

#### **1. Staff Report on public art projects in process**

Kathy DeWild shared the Artist of the Year postcard photograph with the group as well as some information about the profile performance which will take place on May 21<sup>st</sup>. She stated that the Chanticleer Public Art Panel will be interviewing two artists in late-April. The Public Art Panel for Pleasure Point has requested additional information from three artists and are hoping to interview two of them in late-April. The utility/power box project is moving forward, with preliminary work, such as convening a selection panel, set to begin this fiscal year.

The Public Art Panel for Twin Lakes Park is coming up and the "Call to Artists" will go out in early May, so the first panel meeting will most likely be in June. Commissioners Byrd and Phillips volunteered to participate with Commissioner Kilian as back up.

## **VII. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:**

**Monday, May 3, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.  
Simpkins Family Swim Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

### **A. Action Items**

1. Recognition for incorporating public art in private projects
2. Public Art for Chanticleer Park Project
3. Public Art for Pleasure Point Park Project

### **B. Information Items**

1. Review Emerging Artist Award Criteria (draft)
2. Review Artist of the Year Award selection process revamp (draft)

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m. (Byrd/Phillips 7/0)**