

City of Missoula Public Art Committee Meeting Minutes
4:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 17, 2010
Jack Reidy Conference Room
Council Chambers Building 140 West Pine

Members Present: Joan Jonkel, Linda Richards, Dave Strohmaier, Paul Filicetti, Dave Nelson, Dana Boussard, Peter Lambros

Absent Members: Liz Dye, Kathi Olson **Non Members Present:** Mindy Goldberg and Marilyn Marler from the Montana Natural History Center and Tagg Peterson

- 1. Letter to the Mayor:** Regarding staff assistance to the PAC discussed. PAC stationary is available at the Mayor's office; Paul will pick up, print the letter, and forward it to the Mayor, note date change.
- 2. Minutes:** motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 20, 2010: Paul; Second: Linda; Passed unanimously.
- 3. Montana Natural History Center:** Mindy Goldberg and Marilyn Marler presented and discussed plans for the Center at 125 West Hickory that included installation of murals and/or sculpture to the Center's building/building façade. The Center is on a 1-year plan to do something; they were inspired by the TSB projects. Discussion of how PAC can assist the Center included assistance in formulating an art call.
- 4. TSP Status:** Art call ends August 20 for submissions. 39th Street neighborhood wishes to participate in the next round of TSBs with a possibility of six locations, Kathi is in touch with the neighborhood group.
- 5. Status Report on Crossings:** Tagg participated in the discussion. The question of money came up, specifically for the boom truck, which the City does not have. PAC members agreed this restoration process is an opportunity for the City to reinvest itself in public art. There was a discussion about funds and funding support from the City. Possibility that a percentage of funds PAC receives for percent art projects be withheld for maintenance of the pieces; also a discussion of adding a line item in the City's budget specifically for the maintenance of Missoula's public art. Work proposed for *Crossings* is for maintenance and refurbishment. Linda reported on the meeting with Steve King regarding City's assistance, the meeting was not encouraging. Question and discussion of lighting the piece included a discussion of power currently installed for the Christmas tree. Discussion of powder coating vs. paint finishes; all agreed that coordinate powder coat donated work from Linden Clark at Clark Industries was the best was to proceed. Given the lack of a boom truck, the project schedule is unknown; Kathi was going to check with Otto's for assistance removing/reinstalling pieces, another possibility might be a local sign company. The discussion will continue next month, the committee will proceed with diligent work. Other concerns included concrete abutments and riprap restoration work.
- 6. Power Point Presentation Discussion:** Review of hard copy of the revised power point presentation Paul put together for City Council. The week of September 27 is the scheduled date. Dave S. will coordinate and schedule the presentation. All are encouraged to attend the Council meeting that night in support of PAC.
- 7. Pineview Park Renovation Project:** Discussion of available funds (\$5,615.00) for a percent for art piece in the park. Donna Gaukler is on vacation, no new information on the project is available.
- 8. Damage to The Wave:** The piece was damaged again, Justin Anthony completed repairs. Joan had a discussion with Donna Gaukler regarding the piece. Further discuss of how to protect the piece including installing a large stone adjacent the location susceptible to damage and installing the plaque to the stone. Joan presented the bill for damage payment she received from Justin; Dana made a motion to accept the bill of \$250 for repairs, Paul seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

9. Chalk Art: Liz signed PAC up and paid the \$10 fee, the event is Saturday September 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in downtown Missoula. Please encourage people to attend.

10. Ongoing Projects:

- a. **Future Discussion:** Line item in City's budget for care and maintenance of public art.
- b. **Lighting Design for Crossings:** Paul will check into possible donated engineering design services for the piece.
- c. **For the City Council Meeting of September 27:** Paul will make PAC nametags for each PAC member.

Meeting adjourned 6:00 p.m.