



County of Los Alamos

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

Minutes

Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

*Susan Schillaci, Chair; Jeremy Smith, Vice-Chair; Peter Carson; Britton Donharl; and
Catherine Ozment, Members*

Thursday, April 27, 2017

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Suite 110
Los Alamos, NM 87544

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:34 pm by Chair Schillaci

Members Present: Susie Schillaci, Elena Perez, Jeremy Smith, and Britton Donharl
(arrived at 5:43 p.m.)

Members Not Present:

Others Present: Libby Carlsten (CSD Staff Liaison), Kirsten Bell (Support Staff);

Minesh Bacrania (Photographer), Nancy Bartlit (member of the public)

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Nancy Bartlit asked about the Board's process for including local artists in their consideration when choosing art for the public art collection. Group discussion.

3. APP BOARD BUSINESS

[9387-17](#)

Approval of Minutes from March 23, 2017

Attachments: [A - Draft Minutes from March 23, 2017](#)

Board Member Perez moved to accept the minutes from the March 23, 2017 meeting. Vice Chair Smith seconded. All voted in favor (Board Member Donharl arrived after this vote). (3/0)

9388-17

Volunteers for the Farmer's Market Table on June 1

- b. Board Member Appreciation
 - i. Chair Schillaci presented Board Member Perez with a certificate of appreciation and thanked her for her service on the Board.
- c. Volunteers for the Farmer's Market Table on June 1
 - i. Chair Schillaci volunteered to represent the Board at the Farmer's Market on June 1 and others are encouraged to join her.

4. CURRENT PROJECTS

9389-17

Update on the Golf Course Hanging Glass Sculpture

- i. Chair Schillaci reported that NM Fire Protection had to modify the fire

suppression system and the Fire Marshall approved the changes. This cost will be covered under the contingency budget.

- ii. The sculpture is expected to be installed in the next few weeks.

9390-17 **WR Pottery Project - educational plaque and brochure report**

- i. Staff Member Carlsten handed out the newest version of the brochure. The Board discussed suggested edits and changes. Staff Member Carlsten will take all suggestions back to Leslie Bucklin, with the goal of printing the final version ahead of the May 15 Bandelier Shuttle start date.
- ii. Minesh Bacrania, photographer, presented the photograph of the San Ildefonso artists that was donated by Steve Foltyn for the White Rock Visitor Center.

9391-17 **Update on re-location of Smart House Artwork**

- i. Board Member Donharl reported that the County Facilities team is on board and understands the project. The goal is to have the project completed by the end of May.
- ii. Minesh Bacrania, photographer, and the Board discussed the proper size for the photograph display along the main staircase in the Municipal Building lobby. Board Member Donharl moved to accept the 6-foot large aerial photo, a smaller print to be determined, and finish the existing photo already in the County collection to match. Board Member Perez seconded. All voted in favor (4/0).

9392-17 **Update on the commemorative painting for Fuller Lodge for the 100th Anniversary of the Ranch School**

- i. Vice Chair Smith reported that he and Chair Schillaci visited Fuller Lodge to discuss the best size and location for the proposed painting.
- ii. A book with historical pictures of Fuller Lodge was passed around to show what was hanging on the Pajarito Room fire place and the Ante Room fire place during the Ranch School days.
- iii. Chair Schillaci reported that after discussions and a little bit of feedback from the public, she and Vice Chair Smith agreed that public input should be gathered to assist in the decision regarding the size and location of the proposed painting. She handed out a proposed press release that invites anyone in the public to attend an open meeting at Fuller Lodge to gather feedback. In addition, a survey would be added to Open Forum.
- iv. The Board agreed that the date to take the proposal to Council should be moved from May 16 to June 27.

9393-17 **Board discussion of a potential "Call for Art" for the remodeled Community Building**

- i. Board Member Donharl reported that the County Facilities department suggested not removing any structural items and that the concrete blocks can be used to attach art to.
- ii. Staff Member Carlsten handed out web photos and a brochure by an artist from

California who makes unique artistic benches and other art that might be a good fit for the space in question. The artist offered to lend a bench to the Board and see how it is received and used by the public.

iii. Vice Chair Smith volunteered to call the artist and find out details regarding borrowing a bench. The board discussed the option of getting public input at the June 1 Farmer's Market event.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

9394-17 Set dates for Dedication Events for the Golf Course Sculpture and the Richard Swenson Aquatic Mural

- i. Vice Chair Smith volunteered to contact Mr. Swenson regarding possible dates in late May or June for an event.
- ii. The group agreed to put the Golf Course art dedication on hold until it is complete.

9395-17 Knitted wall hanging for sale by Valentina Devine

- i. Staff Member Carlsten referred to a printed email from Valentina Devine, a Los Alamos resident, regarding a 10 x 10 wall hanging that she is volunteering to sell to the County for \$5,000. The Board discussed potential locations options for something that large. Chair Schillaci and Board Member Perez offered to visit the White Rock Senior Center and see if they have possible locations for this art piece.

6. CHAIR COMMUNICATIONS

None

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

9396-17 Art Inventory/Maintenance issues

- i. Board Member Donharl reported that some of the paintings removed as part of the Fuller Lodge renovation have been installed in the Reservation Office.
- ii. Board Member Donharl said that by August she hopes to reinstate the process of inventorying all of the public art to look for maintenance concerns.

9397-17 Public Art Archives - Discussion of what needs to be done

- i. Board Member Donharl referred to a list that Staff Member Carlsten created of art in the County's collection. The list divides the art into three categories related to how easy it will be to get required information and approval to add to the Public Art Archive website. Katie Thwaits from the County Attorney's Office updated the contract needed from each artist. Staff Member Carlsten and Ms. Donharl will begin working on the "low hanging fruit."

8. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Staff Member Carlsten reported that she will be attending the Americans for

the Arts Conference pre-conference in San Francisco in June. While there, she hopes to find out how other public art administrators handle their archive databases.

9. FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

- 9398-17** May 25, 2017 - 5:30 p.m. - Room #110 Municipal Building - Golf Course building artwork; WR Pottery Educational Plaque; Call for Art for the Community Building; new locations for artwork in storage; Segler painting
- 9399-17** June 22, 2017 - 5:30 p.m. - Room #110 Municipal building - WR Pottery Educational Plaque; Call for Art for the Community Building; Discussion regarding disposal of "Inside Out" and a photograph by Bill Jack Rodgers; Discussion regarding the future of the large mural at the Aquatic Center

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.
Board Member Perez moved to adjourn. Vice Chair Smith seconded. All voted in favor. (4/0)

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