Minutes for June 19, 2014 are and will remain unapproved, as the members who were in attendance are not now present and the current members who are present were not present at the prior meetings and thus don’t wish to approve.

MINUTES*
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
Thursday, June 19, 2014
Palo Alto Civic Center
Council Conference Room
250 Hamilton Avenue
7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Kathleen Kavanaugh, Nia Taylor, Dara Silverstein, Ben Miyaji, Amanda Ross
Commissioners Absent: Jim Migdal, Vikki Tobak
Staff present: Elise DeMarzo, Public Art Program Manager
Nadya Chuprina, Public Art Program Assistant II

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chair Kavanaugh

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – none.

ADDITIONS, CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS – none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Moved: Vice Chair Miyaji moved to approve the April 17 Minutes. Second: by Chair Kavanaugh. All in favor. The May 15 Minutes were tabled for approval until the July 17 Meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT – DeMarzo provided a detailed report for the CIP and Maintenance Budgets. Commissioners reviewed the budgets.

STAFF COMMENTS – DeMarzo updated the Commission on the Nathan Oliveira Universal Woman installation that took place on May 30 in the Art Center’s sculpture garden. DeMarzo also provided an update on the installation of Peter Shire’s Skyhook Boca Raton on its new base DeMarzo also reported on the status of the ongoing application process for the Cubberley Artist Studio Program. DeMarzo introduced the CSD “Passport” project that aims to encourage the Palo Alto to participate in various activates across Palo Alto. DeMarzo reported on the completed status of art installation of TITLE by artist Martin Webb at the Water Quality Control Plant and Household Hazardous Waste facility.

ACTION

1. Municipal Golf Course Artist Selection- Staff provided details of the artist selection process for the Palo Alto Municipal Golf Course. Vice Chair Miyaji provided a synopsis of the three final proposals that were reviewed by the selection panel on June 16. DeMarzo recommended the approval of artist Joyce Hsu for the Municipal Golf Course Project. - Motion: Chair Kavanaugh
moved that the Commission approves artist Joyce Hsu for the public art commission at the Municipal Golf Course. **Second** by Vice Chair Miyaji. **All in favor.**

**NON-ACTION**

2. **City Hall New Media Artwork** - Staff updated the Commission on the status of the City Hall New Media Art project. Staff briefly discussed the project and announced the contribution of additional funding for the project by City Council. The item will come back to the Commission with a staff recommendation of an artist in July.

3. **Initial Review for the Private Development Project at 180 El Camino Real** – Developer Eric Allen of Simon Property Group and public art consultant Chandra Cerrito provided a presentation of the Stanford Mall development project at 180 El Camino Real. Commissioners reviewed the details of the development project and provided feedback for possible types, locations and themes of public art onsite.

4. **Initial Review of the Private Development Project at 385 Sherman Avenue** – Daniel Minkoff of 385 Sherman Avenue Holdings gave a presentation of the development project. Commissioners reviewed the details of the development and provided feedback for possible types and themes of public art onsite, and provided suggestions for possible locations for placement.

5. **Retreat** – Chair Kavanaugh led a discussion about the key topics to be discussed at the retreat: Municipal Arts Plan and Public Art master Planning process.

6. **Subcommittee Reports**: None.

7. **Collection Review**: Chair Kavanaugh led a discussion on some of the pieces in the collection on the database page.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Vice Chair Miyaji and Commissioner Silverstein will be collaborating with Jaime Rodriguez of the City of Palo Alto’s Transportation Department to commission artworks for new traffic boxes located downtown. Halpern made an announcement about the ongoing residency of ceramic artist Ehren Tool at the Palo Alto Art Center.

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

Next Special Meeting: Retreat, Monday, June 23, 2014, 5:00PM at Council Conference Room
Next Meeting: July 17, 2014 7:00PM at Council Conference Room

**ADJOURNMENT**- The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM by Chair Kavanaugh.