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Summary Minutes

Tacoma Arts Commission

Community & Economic Development

These minutes accompany the recorded meeting of the Tacoma Arts Commission, which are available at www.tacomaculture.org/arts/tac.asp.

Staff

Amy McBride, *Tacoma Arts Administrator*
Naomi Strom-Avila, *Cultural Arts Specialist*
Rebecca Solverson, *Public Art Assistant*

Date: December 13, 2010
Location: City of Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 16
Time: 5:00 pm

Commission Members in Attendance:

Robin Echte, Chair
Sarah Idstrom, Vice-Chair
Jan Brazzell
Rachel Cardwell
Antonio Edwards, Jr.
Janice Karroll
Traci Kelly
Don Lacky
Bill La Vergne
Aimee Mell
Dane Meyer
Mike Sweney
Jana Wennstrom

City Council Members Absent:

Marty Campbell
Lauren Walker

Staff Present:

Amy McBride, Tacoma Arts Administrator
Naomi Strom-Avila, Cultural Arts Specialist
Rebecca Solverson, Public Art Assistant

Guests:

Eddie Sumlin
Jason Wennstrom

Commission Members Excused Absence:

Janet Matzke
Jacqueline Peterson

1. Call to Order **5:05 pm (00:05)** **Chair Echte**

2. Excusal of Absences **5:05 pm (00:10)** **Vice Chair Idstrom**

Commissioners Matzke and Peterson had an excused absence.

3. Approval of Minutes **5:05 pm (00:20)** **Vice Chair Idstrom**

Motion: Bill La Vergne

Second: Mike Sweney

Motion: Carried



4. Approval of Agenda**5:05 pm (00:32)****Vice Chair Idstrom**

Motion: Traci Kelly

Second: Bill La Vergne

Motion: Carried

5. Chair's Report**5:05 pm (00:44)****Chair Echtle****6. Staff Check-In****5:05 pm (00:58)**

Overviews of David Franklin's and Beliz Brother's proposals for Cheney Stadium public art projects were presented to the Commission.

Tacoma Artists Initiative Program funding applications are available and due January 24, 2011.

City Council has approved the budget for 2011-12; it appears that Arts Commission funding will remain stable at \$405,000 for the upcoming biennium. Commissioners can determine at the January 2011 meeting how to divide that funding between the Commission's three funding programs.

7. Action Items**A. Review and Approval of Arts Projects****5:18 pm (13:54)**

The Arts Projects review panel's funding recommendations were presented to the Commission. The panel recommended funding 21 applicants for a total of \$50,000 as follows:

ORGANIZATION	RECOMMENDED
Asia Pacific Cultural Center	\$ 5,000.00
King's Bookstore	\$ 3,900.00
D.A.S.H. Center for the Arts	\$ 3,800.00
Gold From Straw Theatre Company	\$ 3,800.00
Second City Chamber Series	\$ 3,000.00
Tacoma Concert Band	\$ 3,000.00
Tacoma Farmers Market	\$ 3,000.00
Northwest Repertory Singers	\$ 2,500.00
Proctor District Association	\$ 2,500.00
Tacoma Art Place	\$ 2,500.00
6th Ave Business District	\$ 2,000.00
BQdanza	\$ 2,000.00
Children's Museum of Tacoma	\$ 2,000.00
McCarver Elementary School	\$ 2,000.00
Old Town Business and Professional Association	\$ 2,000.00
Bible Quiz	\$ 1,800.00
Proctor Farmers' Market	\$ 1,200.00
Bryant Montessori School	\$ 1,000.00
Normanna Male Chorus of Tacoma	\$ 1,000.00
Puget Sound Poetry Connection	\$ 1,000.00
SoJust	\$ 1,000.00



A total of 30 applications were received, requesting a total of \$117,315.

Panel members gave an overview of particular applications in question.

There was a motion: "I move that we approve the recommendations."

Motion: Dane Meyer

Second: Rachel Cardwell

Motion: Carried

B. Human Rights Legacy Artist Selection **5:31 pm (26:53)**

The Human Rights Legacy Project panelists interviewed three finalists for the \$30,000 public art project and selected Paul Rucker. Paul's past work, including music, video and visual art, was discussed and samples were shown.

Chair Echtle asked "Would anyone like to approve the selection?"

There was a motion: "So moved."

Motion: Rachel Cardwell

Second: Mike Sweney

Motion: Carried

C. Anchor Fund Guidelines **5:45 pm (40:42)**

Commissioners reviewed their previously-proposed policy changes to the 2011-12 Arts Anchor Fund program guidelines. A pre-application workshop will be presented this year. Other major changes to the application form from previous bienniums include tightening mission statement requirements, updates to narrative questions, and requesting that a representative from the applicant organization be available to answer questions of the funding panel.

Chair Echtle asked "Does anyone want to move to accept these guidelines as presented?"

There was a motion: "So moved."

Motion: Bill La Vergne

Second: Traci Kelly

Motion: Carried

8. Reports/Updates

A. Art at Work Feedback **5:51 pm (46:07)**

Staff gave an overview of survey feedback from the Studio Tour and Arts Symposium. Commissioners will continue to discuss feedback and develop 2011 programming starting in January.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm

