# MINUTES FOLSOM ARTS AND CULTURAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M. – MARCH 12, 2009 50 NATOMA STREET

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL: Commissioners Patrick Finnegan, Paige Edmondson,

Stephen Heard and Mary Sundermier were present.

Commissioners Rashelle Cirigliano and Barbara Otey were

absent.

3. MINUTES: The minutes of November 13, 2008, January 26, 2009 and

February 12, 2009 were approved by a motion by Commissioner Heard and seconded by Commissioner

Sundemier.

# 4. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Former Commissioner Caryn Rizell invited FACC, on behalf of the Patrons of the Arts, to the March 24<sup>th</sup> meet and greet of arts organizations for ongoing collaboration of arts groups in Folsom, to learn more about each other. She also discussed using a facilitator at future meetings to bring together ideas among these groups.

### 5. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:

A. Recognition of Outgoing Commission Members Neill SooHoo, Caryn Rizell and David Burrell

Ms. Sandy Hilton introduced the recognition awards for outgoing Commission Members Neill SooHoo, Caryn Rizell and David Burrell. Neill SooHoo was not present. Commissioner Heard presented the recognition to David Burrell. Commissioner Finnegan read the recognition to Caryn Rizell.

# 6. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Master Plan Goals and Objectives Prioritization

Ms. Hilton presented the background information of the Master Plan and explained the process of prioritizing the goals and objectives. She explained the benefit of reviewing the priorities and discussed the top four goals as received from FACC, prior to the meeting. Ms. Hilton passed out a tally sheet of the commissioner's rankings and stated the results. The Commissioners discussed the results and made recommendations resulting in the following motions.

Commissioner Sundemier moved to approve Goal 5-Objective 2 and Goal 6-Objective 3 as equally important objectives and to include Goal 9-Objectives 1 and 2. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Heard.

AYES: Commissioners Finnegan, Heard, Sundermier and Edmondson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Cirigliano and Otey

ABSTAIN: None

Chair Edmondson asked if there was any other discussion. Commissioner Heard and Commissioner Finnegan discussed the importance of public art. Commissioner Finnegan discussed the need for a mandatory program requiring development fees to include a portion for public art. He further discussed the need for funding sources for art, and suggested that a portion of TOT funds be used for the arts. Ms. Hilton stated she would include a future FACC agenda item on funding mechanisms. Commissioner Finnegan moved to favor Goal 7-Objective 2 to increase the number of pieces of artwork in the community as a primary objective. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Heard.

AYES: Commissioners Finnegan, Heard, Sundermier and Edmondson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Cirigliano and Otey

ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Hilton stated that there still needed to be a motion regarding financing.

Chair Edmondson moved to adopt Goal 6-Objective 3 and Goal 5-Objective 3 as the focus for this year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Finnegan.

AYES: Commissioners Finnegan, Heard, Sundermier and Edmondson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Cirigliano and Otey

ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Hilton summarized that FACC's goals from the Master Plan based on the voting, is 1-financing 2-public participation 3-economic development and 4-public art. The Commission concurred.

B. Utility Bill Donations – Improving Donations and Recommendations for Funding

Ms. Hilton presented the staff report. She explained that donations have declined and there is currently a balance of \$6,225. She asked for ideas to promote the donations through the utility bill. She also asked for continued support of two city programs which include the concerts in the park series and the 48 Natoma Art Gallery exhibits.

The Commission discussed in depth ideas for making the utility bill program work. Ideas

included announcing the program publicly, a FACC representative going to the next Patrons meeting and discussing, and notifying the PTO at the schools. Ms. Hilton said she would compile packets with contact information and get it to the Commissioners who decided which schools they would contact.

Ms. Hilton stated that the City newsletter is not being distributed through the US mail due to budget cutbacks, but is available electronically, therefore having advertising in there may not be seen as much as before. She also said she's putting a blurb in the Parks and Recreation Activity Guide.

Commissioner Finnegan moved to approve staff's recommendation of using \$1000 of the utility bill donation for support of the Concerts in the Park and \$1000 for support of the Gallery Exhibits at 48 Natoma.

AYES:

Commissioners Finnegan, Heard, Sundermier and Edmondson

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Cirigliano and Otey

ABSTAIN:

None

The Commission agreed to leave the balance of the money in the account for future causes including the possibility of using some for Take Part in the Arts as a future item.

# 7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Commission Structure – no written report

Ms. Hilton said there is nothing new to report, and explained that the City has not given anymore information on changes as of yet.

B. 48 Natoma Gallery Exhibitions new selections – no written report

Ms. Hilton discussed the upcoming art exhibits at 48 Natoma Gallery which include two new artists for 2009.

#### 8. REPORTS:

# A. Parks and Recreation Report

Ms. Hilton invited the Commission to the next art exhibit at 48 Natoma and the car show taking place in the front parking lot at the same time.

She thanked FACC for the donation to the Music in the Park Series. Ms. Hilton announced that she would not be able to attend the April FACC meeting and suggested either a special meeting at the end of April or waiting for the regular May meeting. FACC agreed that there would be no April meeting.

# B. Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission - None

# 9. **COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:** - None

# 10. PROPOSED ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION:

Ms. Hilton reiterated that she would send the Commissioners contact information for the school's PTOs.

Ms. Hilton reminded the Commissioners to turn in their Form 700s by April 1<sup>st</sup> to the City Clerk's Office.

# 11. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no more business brought before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 8:10~p.m.

RESPEGTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Lydia Fish, Secretary

Paige Edmondson, Chair