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RENTON MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

April 1, 2014

Renton City Hall, 7th Floor –Conference Center

Members Present:

Peter Hartley, Chair, Evelyn Reingold, Secretary, Jerri Everett, Michele Bettinger, Jaris English and Elizabeth Higgins, Staff Liaison Note: There was no quorum for this meeting.

Excused Absence: Ben Andrews, Paul Hebron, Bill Huls, Natalie Gress, Marsha Rollinger, and Mitch Shepherd

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by RMAC Chair, Peter Hartley at 4:35 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the March 4, 2014 RMAC were read and placed on file.

Correspondence and Announcements: The correspondence and event folders were circulated for individual review.

- April 2, 2014, 6pm – Film Frenzy meeting at Luther’s Table
- April 11 – 26, 2014 – “Office Hours” , at the Renton Civic Theatre (425-226-5529/rentoncivictheatre.org for ticket information)
- April 12, 2014, 7:30pm – Rainier Symphony at Ikea Performing Arts Center (IPAC)
- April 14, 2014, 7pm – Meeting with South Renton Neighborhood Assoc. at Chamber of Commerce office
- April 25, 2014, 7pm - Renton High School Multicultural Performance at (IPAC)
- April 26 – 27, 2014, 1pm and 7pm – Renton High School production of “Alice In Wonderland: Urban Edition” at IPAC
- April 29, 2014, 6:30pm – 8pm – Allied Arts monthly meeting at Luther’s table
- May 5, 2014, 4:30 pm -7pm – Next RMAC meeting

New Business:

RMAC Committee Review and Assignments – Discussion was tabled until the May meeting.

Plaques for Public Art – Benson Shaw, “Going Global” Artist has examples of plaques that confirm to Washington State Standards. He will forward them to us so we can choose one appropriate for the new installation. We need to make sure that the approximate \$150 cost for processing and installation of plaques/signage is included in artwork budgets. Evelyn and Jerri will look at the examples and make a recommendation at our May meeting.

2014 Grants Application Process – Both the Applications are on the RMAC website:

- Small Grant (up to \$500) – No due date. Can apply any time during the year.
- Large Grant (\$500-\$6000) – Due date is May 15, 2015 by 5:00pm. *Due date extended to May 23, 2014*

Grant application reviewers will be assigned at the May meeting. Recommendations by June 3, 2014 and notifications are to be sent by June 16, 2014.

A suggestion was made by Michele that each RMAC member could nominate three groups, or an individual artist, for a Small Grant Award. The recipient would be given the award at a RMAC meeting. It would be a good way to recognize the art efforts already in work as well as benefit the outreach targets in our Master Plan. Plus the award activity would provide opportunities for photos and videos for our website.

RMAC Website –Peter met with Lynda Maybury, Web designer and Social Media Consultant, to get her thoughts as to what needed to be done to redesign the RMAC website so that it is more user friendly; builds connections with other social media (Facebook and Twitter); brings input from other organizations and artists as well as show events. It was suggested that Lynda develop a power point outline with the number of hours and cost. Elizabeth will check Renton’s requirements for consultants and contract details.

Also, Judith Subia, in the Department of Community and Economic Development has been asked to add the profiles of all Renton Art Commissioners. Each RMAC is to provide information to her. It was suggested that we check the Planning Commission page on the City website for the specific information and style that is needed.

Old Business:

The Film Frenzy Committee - Will meet on April 2, 2014, 6pm at Luther’s Table. Ben and Mitch plan to attend.

Emerging Update – The contract to repair the damage after the sculpture was removed from its Carco site was awarded to ArtTech.

Going Global Update – The Mayor is okay with an informal ceremony to celebrate the installation. Elizabeth will coordinate a date and time to fit the Mayor’s and Benson Shaw’s schedules. Also, Elizabeth will check if parking can be done on the old Sound Ford property during the event.

Four Cows Project Update – The meeting with the South Renton Neighborhood Connection to discuss design requirements is scheduled for April 14, 2014 7pm, at Chamber of Commerce office. Peter, Evelyn, and Elizabeth plan to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Evelyn Reingold,
RMAC Secretary

Peter Hartley, Chair