



PETALUMA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE

Minutes

Meeting of: Thursday, October 22, 2009

7:00 PM

Petaluma Arts Center Building, Lakeville, Petaluma

Present: Michaud, Krahn, Dooley, Jonas

Absent: Knight, Leff, Helm

Guest: none present

Staff: none present

Public Comments: none

Regular Meeting

Michaud brought meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

- I. River Heritage Center would like to place an old boat at Steamer Landing Park at the gateway to the trail out to the Livery Stable. Discussion around approving it on a temporary basis because the location has been slated for public art sculpture. **ACTION:** David Yearsley to be invited to present the idea to PPAC.
- II. Cal Trans sound wall design: After initial denial of design solution prepared by PPAC subcommittee, a revised design was prepared and submitted to Cal Trans and the City of Petaluma for approval. 6 medallions have been approved. More medallions were requested by the committee for the first phase of construction. The initial response to the revised design has been positive. **ACTION:** Dooley to finalize details and colors and coordinate with CalTrans and request additional medallions.

- III. Sculpture Walk: Subcommittee met with John Brown, City Manager who required the following to approve the Sculpture Walk: the idea is to be discussed with the neighbors; prepare a business plan with costs, management, timing, locations; proceed with the Public Art Master Plan and include the Sculpture Walk in the Master Plan.
ACTION: Jonas to contact Marie McKusker of the Downtown Association; Discuss specific sculpture locations and include Chris Lynch and/ or Sandy Reed.
- VI. Public Art Master Plan: After analyzing the effort to create a master plan of the caliber that is needed, the Subcommittee agreed that hiring a consultant is the best approach.
ACTION: Confirm the consultant selection and fees.
- VII. Center Park: The Tree Committee has discussed with Michaud that the trees that need to be removed could be replaced with Public Art. **ACTION:** Invite the Tree Committee to come to the next meeting and discuss health of the trees and future ideas.
- VIII. Graffiti on Public Art: 'Cherry Soda' in front of the theatre has been targeted by people sitting on its base and nearby merchants have voiced concerns with the tagging of public art. **ACTION:** Talk with the Arts Council on finding a volunteer to maintain the public art or talk with the Phoenix Theatre about community service for their high school students.

Next Agenda items:

- Cal Trans update
- Sculpture Walk update
- Tree Committee presentation
- River Heritage Center presentation

Adjournment: 8:30 PM