

Session 12-01 A Special Meeting of the Public Arts Committee was called to order at 5:15 P.M. on February 8, 2012 by Chair Angie Newby in Cowles Council Chambers located at City Hall, 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COMMITTEEMEMBERS FELLOWS, APLIN, NEWBY AND WOLFE

ABSENT: COMMITTEEMEMBER MILLER

STAFF: DEPUTY CITY CLERK KRAUSE

The Public Arts Committee met in a Worksession prior to the Special meeting. They discussed the regular agenda items and toured the city hall facility. The committee briefly discussed the various locations throughout the building that would be appropriate to hang artwork from the city owned collection.

Committee member Miller was present for the Worksession but did not attend the Special Meeting.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved by consensus of the committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments.

RECONSIDERATION

There were no items for reconsideration.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(Minutes are only approved during regular meeting.)*

There were no minutes for approval.

VISITORS

There were no visitors scheduled.

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS/BOROUGH REPORTS

A. Staff Report

There was a discussion on how the money for the Cruise Ship and Uplands Improvement will be divided for the various projects. The Committee would like to see individual projects in amounts of \$250,000 or more so that the 1% for the Arts Program would apply. Staff will look into the guidelines or requirements established and/or attached to the \$6 million dollars.

Chair Newby requested a meeting with Ms. Koester and the City Manager to discuss the project.

Ms. Krause further commented on the notice requirements and agenda requirements that allow discussion during worksessions and meetings. The agendas are advertised and when a request to have a Visitor must be done by 5:00 p.m. the week before the meeting. Staff explained what classifies a person as a "Visitor" for the committee. Someone who just appears at a meeting is not a visitor.

Ms. Krause admitted to allowing some leeway when it was Representative Seaton and additional guests since it was infrequent. Ms. Krause further explained that there were members of Council scrutinizing how the committees and Commissions were conducted and that they noticed the established rules were not being followed. This reflected on the Clerk's Office. If someone comes to the meeting to speak they can speak under Audience Comments at the end of the meeting and typically 10 minutes or less is given and they can speak on any subject.

There was no further discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING

There were no items for public hearing.

PENDING BUSINESS

A. Review of the Revised 2012 Strategic Plan

Chair Newby introduced the item for discussion.

The committee requested a memorandum to Public Works regarding the vegetation at the mural along Pioneer Avenue in April.

There was a brief discussion on the potential new administrative offices for Public Works; the status of renovations or potential new building for Port & Harbor offices.

B. Gateways Project - Baycrest Hill Status Update

1. Emails Regarding the Project

Ms. Aplin provided an update on the project to date. A meeting of the committee is needed to brainstorm on how to proceed. She will initiate a meeting between all the interested groups. She was considering a lunch time meeting. There is a need to find within budgets \$6000 for design and permitting and if there is no monies available maybe they can ask the City of Homer to see if they can come up with even half the amount required.

There was a brief discussion on the parties that are considered stakeholders and getting the public input. Once things are ironed out a little they may have an open house. It was noted that the committee does have the ability to fundraise.

There was no further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget 2012 – Revisions

Staff noted that due to the amended budget the Committee needed to revisit the allocations and figure out what they wanted to possibly cut and make a reduced allocation to the line items. The committee reviewed staff recommendations and made the following amendments:

- Artist's Wall identification Elaboration - ~~\$500~~

Postponed to 2013 unless funding is available after other projects completed.

- Repair or Replacement of Welcome to Homer Letters at the Homer Airport - \$1000

Staff will look into what the process will be to have the lettering installed at the Airport.

Ms. Wolfe will get three to four estimates for creating the new letters advocating staying within the allocated budget or less. Letters to be 12" x 14" – WELCOME TO HOMER – 14 Letters including installation.

- Repair and Refurbishment of Fish Wall Mural on Heath Street - \$1000
 - Ms. Wolfe will check with the artist on scheduling this
- Collateral Material Public Arts Guide – ~~\$1000~~ reduced to \$500
 - Reduced to Rack Card with New Art Acquisitions Photos
 - 2 sided, color
 - check with artists on existing digitized grade images or take pictures when installed
 - Compare costs with local and online print suppliers
 - Need artwork no later than April 1, 2012
 - Bring samples of rack cards for comparison
- Collateral Material Public Arts Catalog - ~~\$1000~~ Reduced to \$500
 - Use amateur or student photographers
 - produce in house as much as possible by staff, purchase supplies as required.
 - Increase budget when less is spent on other line items
- Advertising in the Homer Map \$300
 - deleted this allocation due to budget and preference to develop and have the rack cards
 - added this amount to cover allocations that may be shorted
- Supplies and Events \$200
 - No changes or additions

B. Review and Approve the 2012 Homer Map Advertisement

WOLFE/APLIN – MOVED TO DISCONTINUE ADVERTISING IN THE HOMER MAP FOR 2012.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

C. Recommendations to City Council Re: Placement of City Owned Artwork in City Hall

NEWBY/APLIN – MOVED TO APPOINT GAYE WOLFE TO WORK WITH STAFF ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ART PLACEMENT IN THE CIYT HALL PUBLIC AREAS.

There was a brief discussion on the discussions and comments received from staff in the building on different pieces of art and what were the designations of workspace and public space.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Resolution 11-109(S), Establishing the 2012 Regular Meeting Schedule

There were no comments on the informational items.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There was no audience present.

COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER *(If one is assigned)*

There was no council member.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF

Ms. Krause had no comments.

COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR

Chair Newby inquired about scheduling a Special Meeting on Monday March 19, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. There will be a worksession before the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

She additionally apologized for having the meeting run so late. Great job you guys are so dedicated.

COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE

Ms. Wolfe commented that she was glad she was feeling better and this was really fun. She reminded the members about creating or co-sponsoring an open house event at city hall and show casing the new art and public locations.

Ms. Fellows commented it was a great meeting there was a lot on their plates but they got through it.

Ms. Aplin commented on having the open house on the agenda for discussion.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Newby adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m. A meeting of the Baycrest Committee has been scheduled for February 24, 2012 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. A Special Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 19, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. A worksession is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 17, 2012 at 5:00 p.m., City Hall, Cowles Council Chambers 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

RENEE KRAUSE, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK I

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