

Session 13-02 a Special Meeting of the Public Arts Committee was called to order on March 19, 2013 at 5:10 pm by Acting Chair Marianne Aplin at the Homer City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS APLIN AND GRONING

TELEPHONIC: COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEWBY AND FELLOWS

ABSENT: COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER (EXCUSED)

STAFF: DEPUTY CITY CLERK RENEE KRAUSE  
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR CAREY MEYER

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Acting Chair Aplin requested a motion to approve the agenda.

GRONING/FELLOWS – MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

There was no discussion.

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Committee.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no audience comments.

### **RECONSIDERATION**

There were no items for reconsideration.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** *(Minutes are approved during regular or special meetings only)*

A. Meeting Minutes for Regular Meeting on February 14, 2013

GRONING/FELLOWS - MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

There was a brief discussion.

The minutes were approved as presented by consensus of the Committee.

### **VISITORS**

There were no visitors scheduled.

### **STAFF & COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS/ AND BOROUGH REPORTS**

A. Staff Report 13-02 – Renee Krause

Ms. Krause provided a brief summary of her report and noted the presence of Mr. Meyer, Public Works Director who was present to answer any questions on the Request for Proposal on the Spit Trail later on the agenda.

Ms. Aplin provided a brief update on the status of the Baycrest Overlook improvement Project.

There was no further discussion or comments.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no items for public hearing.

### **PENDING BUSINESS**

A. Strategic Plan 2012 – Update for 2013

GRONING/FELLOWS – MOVED TO POSTPONE THE STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AT THE RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the postponement of this item until the regular meeting when they should all be present and better prepared.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Review and Approval of the Request for Proposals to Incorporate Art on the Homer Spit Trail Project – Phase II

Ms. Krause explained the request for proposals responding to questions regarding the advertising period. The Committee had concerns that there was ample time for artists to respond in a timely manner. Mr. Meyer gave more detailed locations that art would be appropriate along the proposed trails. He noted that there would be other opportunities to incorporate art into the benches and signage also.

GRONING/NEWBY – MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO INCORPORATE ART INTO THE HOMER SPIT TRAIL AS AMENDED.

A brief discussion regarding moving the advertising dates up one week, advertising the week of March 25<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> and then moving the site visit up one week to April 11<sup>th</sup> ensued.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

B. Request to Join the Homer Arts and Culture Alliance

Ms. Groning explained the reason for this request and that Ms. Miller has requested to be appointed to this Alliance. Ms. Groning would not mind representing the committee too; Ms. Groning noted she is on it representing the Bunnell.

NEWBY/FELLOWS - MOVED THAT THE CITY OF HOMER PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE JOIN THE HOMER ARTS AND CULTURE ALLIANCE.

There was a brief discussion on not officially appointing a member but leaving on a volunteer basis.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

**INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

- A. ASCOA Communique – March 2013
- B. Memorandum to City Manager dated February 19, 2013 re: Approving Reallocation of Public Arts Committee Funds
- C. Memorandum to City Manager dated March 13, 2013 re: Approving Reallocation of Public Arts Committee Funds
- D. Memorandum to City Manager dated February 19, 2013 re: Relocating and Removing Historical Photos at Homer Airport

There was no discussion on the informational materials.

**COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**

There were no comments from the audience.

**COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF**

Ms. Krause noted that it was a good meeting. Staff responded that there was no councilmember assigned.

Mr. Meyer commented on a project to incorporate some interpretive art within the signage on the Beluga Slough project with remaining funds. He noted that this was not a 1% for Art project but is working in a collaborative manner with Ms. Aplin and they will be issuing a Request for Proposals for four interpretive signs along the trail. He further answered additional questions on the funding for the Spit Trail project 1% for Art program.

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

Mayor Wythe had no comments.

**COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR**

Ms. Newby apologized for missing the meetings and stated it may be time for a new chair and Marianne was doing a wonderful job. She thanked Adele for bring the Alliance to their attention.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

Ms. Aplin commented on the possibility of joining forces with the Bunnell Gallery, Asia Freeman is applying for a grant but she may not receive it in a timely manner so they are proceeding ahead with the RFP for Beluga Slough.

Ms. Aplin requested Solicitation for a Council member on the May agenda. She may not be at the next meeting since it will be the week of Shorebird Festival.

Ms. Groning had no comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Acting Chair Aplin adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 9, 2013 at 5:00 pm at City Hall Cowles Council Chambers 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

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Renee Krause, CMC, Deputy City Clerk I

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