PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING OCTOBER 10, 2012

Session 12-08 a Special Meeting of the Public Arts Committee was called to order on October 10, 2012 at 5:05 pm by Chair Angie Newby at the Homer City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEWBY, FELLOWS, MILLER AND APLIN

ABSENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS WOLFE (EXCUSED)

STAFF: DEPUTY CITY CLERK RENEE KRAUSE

# APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Newby requested a motion to approve the agenda.

APLIN/MILLER – MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADDRESS ITEM A & C UNDER NEW BUSINESS BEFORE PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There was a brief discussion.

The amended agenda was approved by consensus of the Committee.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the audience.

### RECONSIDERATION

There were no items for reconsideration.

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

There were no minutes included for approval.

### VISITORS

Kachemak Bay Water Trail, Robert Archibald

Chair Newby provided some background on this item.

Robert Archibald, city resident, member of the Kachemak Bay Water Trail Steering Committee provided a brief background and handout on the Water Trail. He noted that they have received a grant to create an interactive website; they have many organizations that think this a viable project and expressing support for the project. They have recently received the support of the Kenai Peninsula Borough. Mr. Archibald had a slide show of pictures depicting areas where the Water Trail would visit. He indicated the possibility of opportunity for private businesses to be involved or part of the trail. Currently a 2014 opening is planned and they are currently 2 months behind schedule. The website in in the process and will be interactive showing weather and all stops whether it is public private and amenities available.

There is a site review form that anyone can share information about places they have visited. They are hoping to have the community on board the more it gets developed.

The purpose on approaching the PAC is to get input on sign design for the signage at the launch site which will hopefully be in the area of the Pier One Theater. They intend to have a kiosk and the location would be either corner of the parcel that pier one sits on where there is either a small Day Use area or along where a proposed barge haul-out is to be. Using a map displayed he located the areas.

Ms. Krause clarified that Cruise Ship funds were allocated to existing or new projects.

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Mr. Archibald wanted to get the PAC up to date on the Steering Committee's efforts. Using the map of the Pier One Parcel he indicated the areas they would like to establish a launch with a small kiosk.

Chair Newby stated that the PAC was supportive of collaborative efforts and once the location is firmed up they would be very interested in assisting.

Mr. Archibald responding to an inquiry on signage design and color also noted that this sign would be at every stop to notify those using the water trail. He would be more than welcome to come to another meeting to inform the PAC the progress of the Steering Committee. He further noted that there are two artists with the National Parks to do a rendition of the area. He provided a timeline of their efforts for review.

Committee member Miller departed the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

# STAFF & COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS/ AND BOROUGH REPORTS

A. Staff Updates on Pending Issues and Projects

Ms. Krause provided samples of the materials and described how the letters are attached to the buildings. It was determined that while the copper letters would currently match the existing color trim in the future may not and was the top favorite but the committee felt the stainless steel may be the better choice and overall investment.

APLIN/MILLER – MOVED TO APPROVE THE FONT AS TIMES NEW ROMAN OR EXISTING FONT AS CURRENTLY IN USE, ALL CAPS AS PREFERRED BY THE AIRPORT MANAGER, AND TO GO WITH STAINLESS STEEL LETTERING IN THE 12 INCH HEIGHT WITH THE APPROPRIATE ATTACHMENT.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

B. Committee Updates on the Baycrest Overlook Improvement Project

Ms. Aplin provided a brief summary of the last meeting of the committee and the Planner Emily Lochart provided the synopsis in the packet and is in the process of developing the sub-theme which should be ready for the October 23, 2012 meeting.

Chair Newby provided comments on the fantastic working group they have on this project and the funding from the ADF&G and the City of Homer. It was noted that signage could be included regarding the Water Trail.

C. Selection Committee Unapproved Minutes for September 13, 2012

There was no comment regarding the Selection committee meeting or minutes included in the packet.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no items for public hearing.

### **PENDING BUSINESS**

A. Uniform Signage

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There was no discussion on this topic it was requested to postpone this item until after the budget was approved.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Review and Recommendation on Amended Request for Proposals Incorporating Art into Four new Restrooms

1. Unapproved Minutes from the September 13, 2012 Selection Committee

Ms. Krause explained the reasoning for amending the agenda and stated that she herself has not had time to fully review the amended proposal document. She stated that Ms. Tussey provided the amendments.

Ms. Miller stated that the proposal documents were even more confusing than before and does not allude to allowing the intended purpose that was originally created allowing the proposers to bid on one or all. She noted that the first sentence under Scope of Services and include this in the very first paragraph.

Ms. Newby confirmed that the intention was for each restroom to have individual art incorporated into the project. She agreed that the artists needs to know that they can submit only one design if they wanted.

It was agreed that the artists should be allowed to submit one or more designs and should not be limited to one for each restroom.

Ms. Miller inquired who or where it was advertised to get such a minimal response. Ms. Krause responded that she did not have the Anchorage contact information but that this was advertised in the local papers and with the Homer Council on the Arts. She did note that this will be forwarded to the Plans Rooms also and she will check with the City Clerk on getting it advertised in the Anchorage newspaper.

B. Kachemak Bay Water Trail

There was no further discussion on this item or further recommendations.

C. Recommendation to Appoint New Public Arts Committee member to the Selection Committee for Restrooms

Chair Newby stated that Ms. Wolfe has been very ill and will be out for quite some time. This requires another PAC member to be appointed to the Selection Committee.

Ms. Miller volunteered but stated she has already been on one. Ms. Fellows indicated that she would like to serve but had no idea what was required or it entailed.

APLIN/FELLOWS – MOVED TO APPOINT COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER TO THE SELCTION COMMITTEE FOR THE PUBLIC RESTROOMS RFP WITH COMMITTEE MEMBER FELLOWS AS HER APPRENTICE.

There was a brief discussion regarding Ms. Fellows "apprenticeship."

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

## INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

There were no informational materials.

# **COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**

No comments from the audience.

# **COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF**

There were no comments from staff present.

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

There was no councilmember present.

# **COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR**

There were no comments from the Chair.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

There was no comments from the committee members.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Chair Newby adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m. The next Special Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 5:00 pm at City Hall Cowles Council Chambers 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

Renee Krause, CMC, Deputy City Clerk I

Approved:\_\_\_\_\_