### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013, AT 5:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chapman, Ellickson, Iverson, Rini, Robinson, Zucker

ABSENT: McBirney

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

### 1. <u>Commission Minutes</u>

<u>Action</u>: Upon a motion by Commissioner Ellickson, seconded by Commissioner Iverson, the Commission approved the minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2013 by 6-0-1 vote, with Commissioner McBirney absent.

### 2. 2013/14 Work Plan

Staff presented the updated 2013/14 Work Plan based on Council comments and Commissioners discussed the updated Work Plan.

### 3. <u>Loaned sculptures</u>

Commissioners discussed those sculptures currently on loan to the City.

### 4. <u>Sculpture entries</u>

Action: Motion made by Vice Chair Zucker, seconded by Commissioner Robinson, to recommend installation of *The Guardian* at 167 State Street for a five-year period and removal of the large bush in front of the vacant space. Commissioner Iverson offered an amendment, which was accepted, to recommend the location of the piece be referred back to the Public Arts Commission should the desire be to retain the bush. The motion, as amended, passed 6-0-1 with Commissioner McBirney absent.

### 5. <u>Art recommendation process</u>

Staff presented the report and Commissioners discussed a process for submitting recommendations for art in parks including a step to inform the Parks and Recreation Commission prior to the Council meeting.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

### 6. <u>Monthly staff report</u>

Staff reported that Will You Dance With Me had been installed at Second and State Streets and that at the May 14, 2013 City Council meeting, Council approved installation of By the Sea at Redwood Grove and directed staff to begin developing an Artistic Bike Rack program. Staff

further reported that Chair Chapman, Commissioner Rini and staff met with representatives from San Francisco Museum of Modern Art regarding the exhibit in Los Altos.

### COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

### ADJOURNMENT

Chair Chapman adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.



AGENDA ITEM # 2

**TO**: Public Arts Commission

**FROM**: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

**SUBJECT**: 2013/14 Work Plan

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Review the revised 2013/14 Public Arts Commission Work Plan

### **BACKGROUND**

Each year the Public Arts Commission (PAC) develops goals and priorities for the coming 12 months. These goals and priorities are drawn together in the Commission Work Plan to guide and direct the work of the Commission. On May 2, 2013, the PAC developed its Work Plan to be approved by City Council.

### **DISCUSSION**

The City Council approved the PAC 2013/14 Work Plan with one note. For the goal related to the Arts Master Plan, Council directed that the item be dependent upon inclusion of the project as a CIP project for the coming year. As part of the FY 2013/15 Financial Plan, the Council did not include funds for an Arts Master Plan, therefore, that item has been removed from the Work Plan.

Should the Commission wish to further discuss the Work Plan and other topics with Council, it is recommended that the Commission request a Joint Meeting with Council.

Attachment: Approved 2013/14 Public Arts Commission Work Plan

### PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION 2013/14 Work Plan

Goal	Projects	Assignments	Target Date	Status
	School outreach and activities for school-age children	Commissioners MCBIRNEY and RINI	End March 2014	
	Los Altos Art brochure and activities	Commissioners ROBINSON and ZUCKER	End March 2014	
SFMOMA Exhibit	Activities based at Los Altos Library	Commissioner CHAPMAN	End March 2014	
	Local artist exhibit (potentially at LA History Museum)	Commissioners ELLICKSON and IVERSON	End March 2014	
	Provide support to SFMOMA as requested		End March 2014	
Artistic Bike	Work with staff to develop an Artistic Bike Rack Policy			
Racks	Explore City installation of artistic bike racks			
	Issue a Call for Sculptures			
Outdoor Sculpture	Monitor and recommend actions for loaned sculptures		Ongoing	
Program	Monitor permanent sculptures for maintenance needs		Ongoing	
	Acquire plaques for all sculptures			

Other forms of art	Research murals, mosaics, gateways, street/sidewalk art, digital art, etc. for placement within the City		
Community Outreach	Develop bike, walking and auto tours of Public Art Develop QR codes for Outdoor Sculptures		
	Develop Map/Brochure of Public Art		
Ongoing activities	Monitor and maintain website	Ongoing	
- 2021,1220	Other duties as assigned by Council	As needed	



AGENDA ITEM # 3

**TO**: Public Arts Commission

**FROM**: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

**SUBJECT**: Loaned sculptures

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss the status and disposition of sculptures loaned to the City

### **BACKGROUND**

The City currently has nine, installed sculptures that are on loan from the artists. These loans are for two-year increments and have various expiration dates.

### **DISCUSSION**

The sculptures on loan to the City are:

Name	Artist	Location	Expiration Date
African Tree (Madagascar)	Rick Waltonsmith	Main and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street	August 31, 2013
Dancing Heron	Pat Payne	Edith and Los Altos Ave	August 31, 2013
Danseuse	Jeff Owen	State and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street	August 31, 2013
Jasper Priestess	Damien Jones	Main and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street	August 31, 2013
Redwood Prayer	Rick Waltonsmith	Main and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street	August 31, 2013
Pax Nova	Bill Iaculla	McKenzie Park	September 19, 2013
Dancers	Michele Alcantara	Grant & St. Joseph	September 19, 2013
Torso 3	James Hill	State and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street	May 31, 2014
CT-27	Richard Starks	Heritage Oaks Park	August 31, 2014



AGENDA ITEM # 4

**TO**: Public Arts Commission

**FROM**: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

**SUBJECT**: Sculpture entries

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss next steps in selection process for entries

### **BACKGROUND**

At the February 28, 2013 meeting, the Public Arts Commission (PAC) considered several sculptures for placement in Los Altos. Two sculptures, *Will You Dance with Me* and *Dragonfly*, were recommended to City Council for installation. Those sculptures were approved by Council at its April 9, 2013 meeting. The PAC also considered *The Guardian*, though no location was determined. At its March 28, 2013 meeting, PAC recommended to Council installation of *By the Sea*. That sculpture was approved by Council at its May 14, 2013 meeting. At its May 2, 2013 meeting, PAC recommended to Council installation of *Bird*. At its May 23, 2013 meeting, PAC recommended the installation of *The Guardian*.

### **DISCUSSION**

The PAC has received additional submissions from Sherman Hay who previously submitted entries. In addition, Rick Waltonsmith has also submitted additional pieces for consideration. All of the pieces that have been considered by PAC, including those currently on loan to the City, are included in Attachment 3.

### Attachments:

- 1. Additional submissions from Sherman Hay
- 2. Additional submissions from Rick Waltonsmith
- 3. Sculpture placements spreadsheet

### Jon Maginot

From: Sent: Faye Chapman <faychapman@aol.com>

Sent To: Monday, June 17, 2013 7:16 AM Jon Maginot; Karen Zucker

Subject:

FW: Update

Attachments:

Wings of Fortune email copy.jpg; Untitled attachment 00024.txt; Flamenco Dance email.jpg; Untitled attachment 00027.txt; celestial balance email.jpg; Untitled attachment 00030.txt; rivers edge rock top email.jpg; Untitled attachment 00033.txt; silicon valley email.jpg; Untitled

attachment 00036.txt; emperors new clothes 10-10 email.jpg; emperors new clothes

detail.jpg; Untitled attachment 00039.txt; tessla.jpg; Untitled attachment 00042.txt; rabbit plays ball email.jpg; Untitled attachment 00045.txt; ceramic tiles.jpg; Untitled attachment 00048.txt;

clay carving in progress.jpg; Untitled attachment 00051.txt

### Jon & Karen

I have been writing to Sherman Hay, telling him my concerns of the sharp edges on his pieces. He has sent me photos of some additional pieces, without sharp edges. There could be a possible pieces in these for the city.

Jon - can you include this for our next meeting?

Karen - any questions you think I should ask him about these?

Thanks Fave

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----Original Message----

From: sherman.hay@sbcglobal.net [mailto:sherman.hay@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Sunday, June 16, 2013 4:33 PM

To: Faye Chapman Subject: Re: Update

Dear Faye,

Thank you for getting back to me. Yes, the "Party Time", is available, it is a flat work and it has not been ground or polished yet. It will look much better when this is done. If you like the flat works the attached are also available.

I am hoping to place at least two sculptures, I have friends and family in San Jose and I had mentioned to them that about the opportunity you offered.

It is interesting that my sisters husbands name is Chapman. He works for the 5th largest computer company in San Jose as the VP.

Of the attached sculptures available they would work with bigger bases to keep people at a distance if you are worried about edges.

Call me or email if you have anymore questions.
Best wishes,
Sherman

Wings of Fortune,



Flamenco Dance Silicon Valley email

Emperals New Clothes

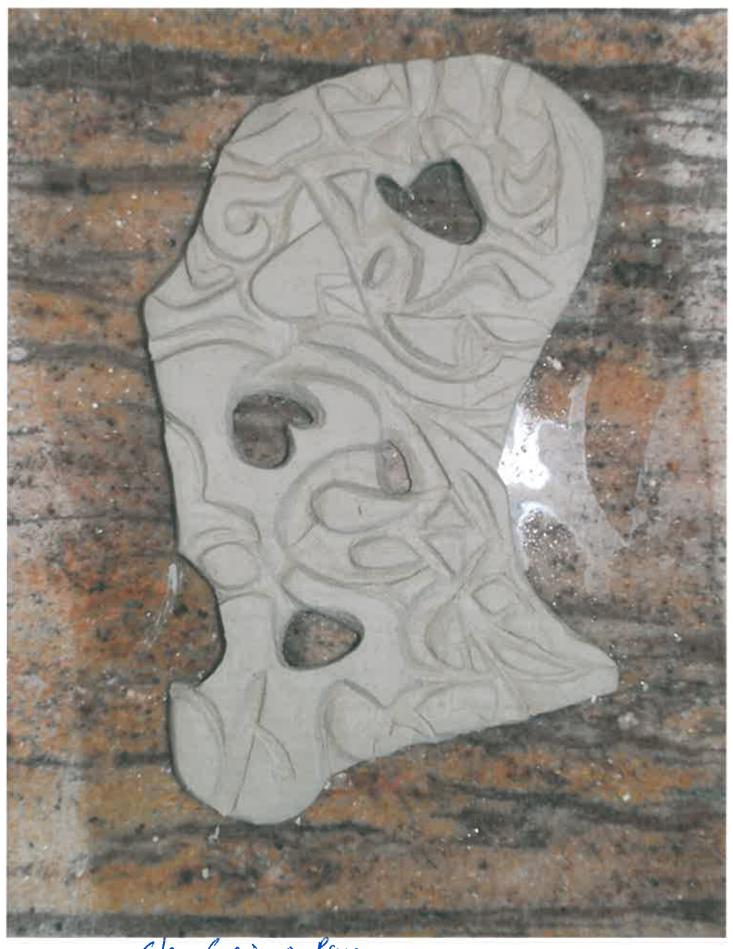
Tessla

Rabbit Plays Ball



### Ceramic Tiles





Clay Carving in Progress

### Jon Maginot

From:

Faye Chapman <faychapman@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 17, 2013 8:08 PM

To: Cc:

Jon Maginot Karen Zucker

Subject:

FW: Los Altos Public Art

Attachments:

African Tree (Baobob).jpg; Parallax II (1).JPG

Jon

Reply from Rick Waltonsmith - for our next meeting

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From: Waltonsmith [mailto:waltonsmith@comcast.net]

Sent: Monday, June 17, 2013 6:09 PM

To: 'Faye Chapman'

Subject: RE: Los Altos Public Art

Faye;

It has been a pleasure showing in Los Altos. It seems like every week, someone says: "Are those your pieces in downtown Los Altos?". One person saw one piece, and missed the other completely.

I have 2 more pieces for your review. Neither piece needs any kind of pedestal; and they have mounting tabs, just like the two with you now.

"African Tree (Baobob)" silicon bronze, brass, stainless steel 86" x 36" x 36"

"Parallax II" silicon bronze, brass, stainless steel 68" x 20" x 14"

Thanks. Rick

From: Faye Chapman [mailto:faychapman@aol.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, June 16, 2013 8:26 AM

To: Rick Waltonsmith Cc: faychapman@aol.com Subject: Los Altos Public Art

Rick

I hope all is well.

Some exciting new in Los Altos: <u>SFMOMA Brings Leading Contemporary Artists to Silicon Valley with Project Los Altos.</u>
<u>Off-site Exhibition Will Feature New Commissions by Seven National and International Artists in the City of Los Altos.</u>
<u>Altos.</u> This will take place November 9, 2013 through March 2, 2014. This is the link to the press release: <a href="http://www.sfmoma.org/about/press/press">http://www.sfmoma.org/about/press/press</a> exhibitions/releases/960

As we prepare for this, and showcase our exiting art with this exhibit, I wanted to check in with you. Your two pieces African Tree and Redwood Prayer contract expires on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. We have some options at this time, and would like to have everything done before SFMOMA arrives:

- 1. Do you have any pieces you would like to replace these with? We would like to keep our art fresh and changing if we can
- 2. Or are you willing to extent the contact? For another year or two?

Let me know, we meet again June 27<sup>th</sup> and your pieces are on the agenda

Thanks Faye

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## Sculpture renewal and placement

# **SCULPTURE PLACEMENTS**

Artist	Name	Location	Expiration	Expiration Last email rec	Email sent Action
Rick Waltonsmith	Africian Tree	Main & 3rd Street	8/31/2013	12/3/2012	6/15/2013 E-mail Replacement or renewal
Rick Waltonsmith	Redwood Prayer	Main & 3rd Street	8/31/2013	12/3/2012	6/15/2013 E-mail Replacement or renewal
Pat Payne	Dancing Heron 2	Edith & Los Altos Ave	8/31/2013	1/21/2013	
Damien Jones	Jasper Priestess	Main & 2nd Street	8/31/2013	6/30/2012	
Jeff Owen	Danseuse	State & 2nd Street	8/31/2013	11/29/2012	
Bill laculla	Pax Nova	McKenzie Park	9/19/2013		Jon - send contract with email?
Jane Reyes	By the Sea	Redwood Grove	N/A		Approved May City Council - Jon Status?
Michele Alcantara	Dancers	Grant & St Joseph	9/19/2013		Jon - send contract with email?
Karen Cauvin Eustis	The Guardian	State St - Costume Bank	N/A	5/30/2013	City Council June 25?
Riis Burwell	Bird	Lincoln Park	N/A	5/30/2013	City Council June 25?
Tammy Bickel	Dragonfly	Rosita Park	7.5		Installed? Thank you?
Ed Hart	Will you Dance with me	State & Second	5/20/2015		NEED TO SEND THANK YOU
Smadar Agmon	Adam & Eve		N/A		Was going to ask for another piece?
Arthur Commings	Put on Your Red Dress, Baby		N/A		Send Thanks, but no thanks?
Susan Pascal Beran	Music of the Spheres II		N/A	4/20/2013	6/15/2013 Sent SFMOMA information
Susan Pascal Beran	Flames II		N/A	4/20/2013	6/15/2013 Asked about placement & Size
Susan Pascal Beran	Fish Dance II		N/A	4/20/2013	
Susan Pascal Beran	Estrella Nueva V.G.		N/A	4/20/2013	6/15/2013"
Sherman Hayes	River Edge		N/A	5/25/2013	6/15/2013 Has new Piece - Party Time
Sherman Hayes	Celestial Balance		N/A	5/25/2013	5/25/2013 6/15/2013 Asked more Information on Party Time
Sherman Hayes	Wings of Fortune		N/A	5/25/2013	5/25/2013 6/15/2013 if will to donate two years



AGENDA ITEM # 5

**TO**: Public Arts Commission

**FROM**: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

**SUBJECT**: Artistic gateways

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss potential recommendation of artistic gateway features

### **BACKGROUND**

As part of its 2013/14 Work Plan, the Public Arts Commission (PAC) has as a goal introducing "other forms of art" to the City.

### **DISCUSSION**

One form of art discussed among Commissioners in the past has been artistic gateway pieces for the City. Any recommendation for type of gateway should be forwarded to the City Council for approval.