

**CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of February 13, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – Conference Room No.1

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1. Call to Order. Vice Chair Waneë called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. Present: Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Hilgeman, Lindsay and Waneë.  
Absent: Chair Friedlander and Commissioner Gale.  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner, Administrative Services Director Pierce and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2. New Commissioner Carin Hilgeman was welcomed to the Arts Commission.
  - 1.3. Art Minute. None.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.** At the request of Richard Ek, Item 2.1 was removed from the Consent Agenda.
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**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

2.1 **Approval of Minutes.**

Richard Ek stated that the minutes from December 12, 2007 should be corrected to reflect approval of the minutes carrying a vote of 5-0-1 for item 3.1. He also indicated that the reason for Commissioner Gale's abstaining from voting on that item should be reflected in the minutes.

A motion by Commissioner Crawford and seconded by Commissioner Lindsay to amend the minutes of December 12, 2007 to include the reason why Commissioner Gale abstained from voting on item 3.1, with the amended minutes to be considered at the March 12, 2008, meeting, carried 5-0-2, Commissioners Friedlander and Gale absent.

It was noted that the January 9, 2008 meeting was cancelled due to adverse weather and power outages.

3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

3.1. **Reorganization of Commission.**

Pursuant to Section 1003.A. of the City Charter, Vice-Chair Waneë opened nominations for Chair for the 2008 calendar year. Commissioner Lindsay nominated Commissioner Waneë for the position of Chair. Commissioner Waneë declined the nomination. Commissioner Lindsay nominated Commissioner Friedlander which was seconded by Commissioner Crawford. By unanimous vote, Commissioner Paul Friedlander was elected as Chair of the Arts Commission for calendar year 2008.

Vice-Chair Waneë opened nominations for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Lindsay nominated Commissioner Waneë for the Vice-Chair position, which was seconded by Commissioner Crawford. There were no other nominations. By unanimous vote, Commissioner Lucille Waneë was elected as Vice-Chair for calendar year 2008.

3.2 **Acceptance of Report Regarding Chico Artoberfest 2007.**

Debra Lucero, Executive Director of Friends of the Arts, provided a presentation regarding Artoberfest 2007.

A motion by Commissioner Atkins, and seconded by Commissioner Hilgeman, to accept the Artoberfest 2007 report, was unanimously approved.

3.3. **Reports and Communications.** The following reports and communications items were provided for the Commission's information.

A. **Committee Reports.** Committees that met since the last meeting reported on their activities.

- (1) Art in Public Places Committee Report - Commissioner Crawford reported that the Committee did not meet, but has scheduled site visits in preparation for drafting project specific criteria for the Chico Depot Art Seating Project and the Greening of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Art Project for recommendation to the Commission.
- (2) Outreach and Education Committee Report - None
- (3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee Report - Commissioner Waneer reported that the Committee has been meeting and has set a goal of May, 2008 for a draft policy recommendation to the Commission.

B. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.** APC Gardner reported the following:

- (1) The Heritage Elm Wood Sculpture, "Fred and Ginger" by Owen Gabbert, was installed in the City Plaza;
- (2) The copper elm leaves light fixtures, by Elizabeth Devereaux, were installed in City Plaza;
- (3) Community Organization Funding applications are available and due February 29, 2008;
- (4) The Commission's two regular meetings for consideration of funding recommendations will be April 2 and April 16, 2008;
- (5) A Mini-grant information meeting was held February 7, 2008;
- (6) The Architectural Review Board (ARB) is working on design guidelines and an 'Art in Private Places' component will be included on the new checklist for ARB;
- (7) The Commission was reminded that correspondence received by staff, including invitations and posters, addressed to Commissioners, will be provided at the next Commission meeting. All organizations are provided with the Commissioners' addresses for direct mailing; and
- (8) The Art Minute rotation schedule for 2008 was distributed to Commissioners.

4. **Business from the Floor.** None

5. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

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Regular Meeting of March 12, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – Conference Room No.1

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. Present: Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Gale and Hilgeman.  
Absent: Commissioners Crawford, Lindsay, and Wanee.  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2 Art Minute - Commissioner Gale provided a presentation on the “Art of School Beautification.”
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.** At the request of Commissioner Hilgeman, Item 2.1 was removed from the Consent Agenda
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**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**2.1 Approval of Minutes.**

- A. Following a question from Richard Ek regarding amended minutes of December 12, 2007, Art Projects Coordinator Gardner confirmed that the minutes were verbatim.

Commissioner Hilgeman moved approval of the minutes of December 12, 2007. With a second from Commissioner Atkins, the motion passed (4-0, Crawford, Lindsay and Wanee absent).

In response to a comment made by Richard Ek, Commissioner Gale stated, “Well, I just want to say that Mr. Ek might be referring to my statement and it was now three, four months ago but from what I remember that is was my intention was that statement so it looks accurate. I just wanted to put that on the record.”

- B. Commissioner Hilgeman offered two corrections to the February 13, 2008 minutes. 1) Commissioner Crawford made the motion to amend the minutes of December 12, 2007, rather than Commissioner Wanee; and 2) the Art in Public Places Committee Report was provided by Commissioner Crawford rather than Commissioner Wanee.

A motion by Commissioner Atkins to correct and approve the amended minutes of February 13, 2008 was seconded by Commissioner Hilgeman. The motion passed 2-0-2 (Chair Friedlander and Commissioner Gale abstained as they were absent from the February meeting) died for a lack of quorum.

**3. REGULAR AGENDA**

**3.1. Appointments to Standing Committees.**

By consensus, the Commission agreed to table this item due to the fact that Commissioner Wanee, who had requested that this item be agendaized, was absent.

**3.2 Consideration of Artoberfest Proposal.**

Debra Lucero, Executive Director of Friends of the Arts, presented a proposal regarding funding of Artoberfest for the next three years.

A motion by Commissioner Gale, and seconded by Commissioner Hilgeman, was made to forward the proposal from Friends of the Arts regarding Artoberfest funding for the next three years to Council for consideration. The motion passed (4-0, Commissioners Crawford, Lindsay and Wanee absent).

**3.3. Community Organization Funding in the Arts Category Process.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reviewed the process regarding funding community organizations in the arts category. Also reviewed were the 12 recommendations regarding Community Organization Funding in the Arts Category along with staff’s comments regarding them which were approved by the City Council when it considered the Commission’s Work Plan on March 4, 2008.

- 4.0. **Reports and Communications.** The following reports and communications items were provided for the Commission's information.
- 4.1 **Commission Reports**
- (1) Commissioner Crawford was absent; therefore, there was no report on her attendance at a presentation by Artspace.
  - (2) Chair Friedlander provided a verbal report on the City Council meeting of March 4, 2008. He noted that he attended the meeting along with Commissioners Hilgeman and Crawford, and Art Projects Coordinator Gardner. Council approved the Work Plan including staff recommendations.
- 4.2 **Committee Reports.** Committees that met since the last meeting reported on their activities.
- (1) Art in Public Places Committee Report - Commissioner Gale reported that the Committee conducted site visits for the Chico Depot Art Seating Project and the Greening of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Art Project. She also reported that the Committee will continue to work on the project specific criteria for the Collaborative Installation Art Project which was recommended by the Commission as a 2008-10 Capital Art Project. She will present a slide show of examples of collaborative public art projects at the Commission's May 14, 2008 meeting.
  - (2) Outreach and Education Committee Report - None.
  - (3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee Report - None.
- 4.3 **Art Projects Coordinator Report.** Art Project Coordinator Gardner reported the following:
- (1) Forest Avenue Median Art Project is progressing on schedule.
  - (2) David Brown, the artist for the Oak Way Park Sculpture Project, has requested an extension for completion of the project. Mr. Brown has not given the City a new deadline as yet.
  - (3) The last of the Downtown Art Benches Project, Pedestal Art Seats by Matt Auvonen has been installed on the corner of Salem and 1<sup>st</sup> Streets. A celebration of all the benches is tentatively scheduled for May 3, 2008.
  - (4) A dedication of Owen Gabbert's Heritage Elm Sculpture Project, which is located in City Plaza, is tentatively scheduled for the end of April 2008. Artists Elizabeth Devereaux and William Everone, whose work is in the Plaza, will also be honored.
  - (5) On April 10, 2008 there will be a reception for Jerry Frost, the artist currently exhibiting in the Municipal Center Building.
- 4.4 **Report Regarding 2007-08 Mini Grant Project.** The Arts Commission was provided with an informational report from Management Analyst Cris Carroll regarding a change in the location of a mural by Julie Shaw, which was funded as a Mini-Grant project. The new location of the mural will be at the Butte College facility on Forest Avenue.
5. **Business from the Floor.** Richard Ek thanked the Commissioners for volunteering their time on the Arts Commission and encouraged the Commission to respond to the portion of the results of the recent survey that was in regard to the arts.

Mr. Ek asked why Commissioner Gale's request for written clarification regarding the legalities of allocating Redevelopment Funds had not been completed:

Richard Ek stated.... "Final thing, I want to ask a question, Mary, it would have been so easy if you had just gone to the City Attorney and got something in writing, not just for Samantha but for the whole Commission that says Article I Section II Redevelopment law allows for Redevelopment money to pay for performers on an ephemeral basis. Why didn't you do that? It would have been so easy. It would have taken care of all this. Wait a second. I am waiting for an answer, well give her a chance, just go

to Lori Barker and say what's chapter and verse on Redevelopment law then you'd know you'd be proceeding on solid ground in this project. As it is, you don't and I hope you'll all recognize that all I am trying to do here is help you proceed in a more structured manner. I think that is information that should have been provided so that you could go ahead with this project knowing you are on solid ground. As it is, you are going ahead with nothing but a concept which is going to run into trouble because they don't want to spend the money and if it comes to looking at it this way or that way, they'll come down on not spending the money so you will have wasted your time on this concept and Mary, you could have come with this just go to Lori Barker. Lori knows chapter and verses beginning with Section 33000 of the code, it's in the California code."

6. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

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Regular Meeting of April 2, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – Conference Room No.1

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. Present: Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Gale, Hilgeman, Lindsay and Wanee.  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.** At the request of Commissioner Gale, item 2.1 was pulled from the Consent Agenda.
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**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

2.1 **Approval of Minutes.**

Commissioner Lindsay moved to accept the minutes from the 2/13/08 meeting. Commissioner Hilgeman seconded it. The motion passed (7-0).

Commissioner Gale stated she would like to include her statement made on 3/12/08 regarding the accuracy of the verbatim minutes of 12/12/07.

Commissioner Gale also stated she would like to include the verbatim statement by Mr. Richard Ek in business from the floor at the 3/12/08 meeting.

Commissioner Atkins moved to accept the minutes of March 12, 2008, as amended. Commissioner Lindsay seconded the motion. The motioned carried 6-0-1, with Crawford abstaining.

3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

3.1. **Consideration of Mini-Grant Applications for 2008-09 Fiscal Year Art Funds.**

A **Report on Available Revenue for Fiscal Year 2008-09 Community Organization Funding in the Arts Category.** Beginning with Fiscal Year 2007-08, Council set a General Fund baseline of \$141,330 for the Arts Category. Available funding for the program for future years would then be calculated using either a Consumer Price Index percentage adjustment or the percentage difference between the General/Park Funds for the prior two years, whichever is lesser. The General Fund set-aside contribution for Fiscal Year 2008-09 in the Arts Category (3.5% CPI increase) is \$141,330. With the City Manager's recommendation of a 12% reduction to the \$141,330 baseline, available funds for funding art are \$124,370 (of which 15% may be used for mini-grants). This results in \$18,000 available for mini-grant funding. By consensus, the Commission agreed they would recommend allocations not to exceed \$18,000 for mini-grants.

B. **Review and Recommendation** The Commission reviewed the applications and heard presentations from individual artists for 2008-09 fiscal year funding and made funding recommendations for applicants in the category of artist mini-grants. At its August 8, 2007 meeting, the Commission approved a recommendation to allocate up to 15% of the available funding which was approved by the City Council at its March 4, 2008 meeting.

A motion by Commissioner Gale and seconded by Commissioner Wanee to recommend that the following mini-grant artists be fully funded, was unanimously approved:

<b><u>Mini-Grant Artists</u></b>	<b><u>Funding Recommendation</u></b>
Mabrie Jeanne Ormes	\$ 2,000
Christine Jennings	\$ 1,000
Muir Hughes	\$ 2,000
Janice Hofmann	\$ 2,000
Lindsay Glass	\$ 2,000
Victoria Sulski	\$ 2,000

Maria Phillips	\$ 1,000
Maria D. Trender	\$ 2,000
Erin Wade	\$ 2,000
Pamela Kather	<u>\$ 1,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>

4. **Business from the Floor.** None.
5. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm. The regular meeting of the Arts Commission scheduled for April 9, 2008 has been cancelled. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room 1.

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Regular Meeting of April 16, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – Conference Room No.1

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. Present: Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Gale, Hilgeman, Lindsay and Wanee.  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner, Administrative Services Director Pierce and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.**
  - 2.1 **Approval of Minutes.** Commissioner Wanee moved to approve the minutes of the 3/12/08 and 4/2/08 meetings. Commissioner Hilgeman seconded it. The motion passed (7-0).
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3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1. **Recommendation for Arts Allocations for 2008-09 Fiscal Year Funding for Community Organizations in the Arts Category.** The Commission reviewed the applications, considered presentations by applicants, and formulated recommendations for allocating funds to non-profit arts organizations, emerging arts organizations, and art programs with fiscal receivers for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

Commissioner Atkins moved to accept the following recommendations for Established Organizations:

Chico Art Center	\$15,223
Friends of the Chico Community Ballet	\$13,602
Children's Choir of Chico	\$11,976
Blue Room Theatre	\$16,347
1078 Gallery	\$12,192
Ensemble Theatre of Chico	\$13,829

Commissioner Wanee seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0)

Following discussion, Commissioner Wanee moved to add \$600 to Chico Children's Choir. Commissioner Lindsay seconded it. The motion passed (7-0), bringing the total funding to Children's Choir of Chico to \$12,576.

Commissioner Crawford moved to accept the following recommendations for programs with Fiscal Receiver's and Emerging Organizations:

North State Symphony	\$6,479
Chico Theatre Company	\$8,384
Chico Cabaret	\$8,737

Commissioner Wanee seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0)

- 3.2 **Consideration of Appointment to Outreach and Education Committee.** By consensus, the Commission accepted the resignation of Commissioner Wanee from the Outreach and Education Committee and appointed Commissioner Hilgeman to fill the vacancy.

4. **Reports and Communications.**

A. **Commission Reports.**

Commissioner Crawford reported on her attendance at a presentation by Artspace. By consensus, the Commission agreed to re-agendize this item for the May meeting when it will be televised.



B. **Committee Reports.**

- (1) Art in Public Places Committee - Commissioner Gale reported that the Committee visited various sites within the Chico Amended and Merged Redevelopment Project Area in preparation for recommending potential locations for the Collaborative Installation Art Project.
- (2) Outreach and Education Committee - None
- (3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee - Commissioner Wanee reported that the Committee is continuing to work with Management Analyst Carroll on the draft policy.

C. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator reported the following:

- (1) Provided the Commissioners with postcards for the Celebration in the City Plaza for William EverOne, Owen Gabbert and Elizabeth Devereux.
- (2) Forest Avenue Project is continuing. Phase I is complete with full project completion expected by July 2008.
- (3) The City of Walnut Creek will be visiting Chico on Friday, April 18, 2008, for a tour of Chico's public art.
- (4) Saturday, June 7, 2008, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., the City will host a celebration of the Downtown Benches and Pedestal Seats.
- (5) William EverOne will be painting a mural on the south side of the restroom at City Plaza. The mural will be a painted reproduction of an artist's rendering of the backside of a trolley from the early 1900's. This will be funded through the graffiti abatement program.
- (6) A reception for Artist Jerry Frost was held in the Municipal Center lobby on Thursday, April 10.
- (7) Dave Brown was granted an extension to June 30, 2008, to complete the Oakway art project.
- (8) Staff has been working on the budget since the last meeting, with great efforts to cut the overall budget.

5. **Business from the Floor.** None.

6. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room One.

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Regular Meeting of May 14, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – Conference Room No.1

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. Present: Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Gale, Hilgeman, Lindsay and Wanee.  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2. Art Minute - Commissioner Wanee provided the Committee with a slide show presentation of art sculptures in Prescott, AZ and Sedona, AZ.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.**
  - 2.1 **Approval of Minutes.** Commissioner Wanee moved to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2008 meeting. Commissioner Hilgeman seconded the motion which passed (7-0).
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3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1 **Consideration of Art in Public Places Committee Recommendation on Project Specific Criteria for the Collaborative Installation Art Project.** At its December 12, 2007 meeting, the Arts Commission recommended that \$180,000 be allocated (\$90,000 in 2008-09 and \$90,000 in 2009-10) for a capital art project funded with the Merged RDA Art Fund (382) described as the "Collaborative Art Installation Project." The Commission was provided with information from the Art in Public Places Committee outlining the criteria.

Following Commission discussion, Commissioner Wanee moved to accept the recommendation provided by the Art in Public Places subcommittee with the exception of Item 1.8 of the report "Theme will be "Migrations" and will use birds as the metaphor for the Chico community which has both a year 'round permanent population and a transitory one and that community input will be solicited regarding the project's theme. Commissioner Hilgeman seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-2) with Commissioner Lindsay and Chair Friedlander voting "no".

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported that the costs associated with this project, as set forth in the recommended Project Specific Criteria (1.G. and 1.H), were reviewed with the City Attorney. The City Attorney determined that the costs outlined in these two sections were eligible uses of funds from the Merged Art Fund (382).

4. **Reports and Communications.**

A. **Commission Reports.**

Commissioner Crawford reported on her attendance at a presentation by Artspace, a non-profit organization. She also reported that the Meriam Park Development contains an artist live/work space component.

B. **Committee Reports.**

- (1) Art in Public Places Committee - a report was provided by the subcommittee as discussed in Item 3.1 above.
- (2) Outreach and Education Committee - Commissioner Hilgeman provided a report on the television/radio broadcasting project in which different artists will be featured and interviewed on a weekly basis. She requested Commissioners to bring a list of local artists that they would personally like to interview.
- (3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee - Commissioner Wanee reported that the draft of the revised policy will be presented to the Commission at the July 2008 meeting.

C. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported the following:

- (1) The mural on the wall of Fire Station #1 is in process. This will be the final Chico Open Board Art (COBA) project.
- (2) Debra Lucero's Artoberfest 2008 contract has been signed and is underway.
- (3) Cal Ling, the artist for the Forest Avenue project, has finished the first of three pieces. The artwork will be located in the median near Flying V Street and will be fabricated out of glass and steel and solar lighting. Estimated completion is July 9, 2008.
- (3) The City Plaza Art dedication was held on May 1, 2008. Elizabeth Devereaux, Owen Gabbert and William EverOne were honored for their art contributions to the Plaza.
- (4) The Art Bench Celebration will be held downtown on Saturday, June 7, 2008 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Chair Friedlander reminded the Commission that the City Council meeting on June 3, 2008 has a time-certain of 2:00 p.m. for community organization funding. He also acknowledged the resignation of Commission Gale, effective May 15, 2008.

5. **Business from the Floor.** None.

6. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

# CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of June 11, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. Present: Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Crawford, Hilgeman, Lindsay and Wanee.  
Absent: Commissioner Atkins  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner, Administrative Services Director Pierce and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2 Art Minute - Chair Friedlander requested that his Art Minute be reschedule to November.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.** At the request of Commissioner Wanee, Item 2.1 was removed from the Consent Agenda.
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## ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

### 2.1 **Approval of Minutes.**

Commissioner Wanee stated that the minutes of May 14, 2008 should be amended to clarify that Sedona, AZ was part of her slide show Art Minute presentation.

She also stated that the minutes should be amended to note that the motion approving the project specific criteria for the Collaborative Installation should include the comment that community input will be solicited regarding the project's theme.

In response to his inquiry, Richard Ek was directed to that section of the May 14, 2008 minutes which noted the resignation of Commissioner Gale.

### 3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 3.1 **DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF THE 2008-09 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION FUNDING IN THE ARTS CATEGORY PROCESS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Crawford and seconded by Commissioner Hilgeman to include the following revisions to Mini Grant applications for Community Organization Funding in the Arts Category for :

1. Applicants will be recommended for funding for no more than two consecutive years.
2. A check box will be added asking what years the applicant has been awarded funding.
3. A statement that Art Commissioners will only consider recommend funding to the City Council for those who submit typed applications.
4. A statement that artists are encouraged to provide samples of their work during their 3-5 minute presentation.
5. Add the question, "What are the anticipated costs associated with this project?"
6. Add the words "in detail" after the word "describe" in #2.
7. Add the statement, "Applicants must use form as provided."
8. Add the words "new" and "and" before the word "original" in #2.
9. Add the statement, "Consideration of applications by applicants not in attendance at the April funding meeting will adversely affect applicants."

The motion passed (5-0-1, Commissioner Atkins absent)

A motion was made by Commissioner Lindsay and seconded by Commissioner Wanee to include the following language in future Community Organization Funding in the Arts Category Supplemental Questionnaires:

1. In the introduction, describe the terms "Established Organization" and "Emerging Organization."
  2. In question #6, "Elaborate on the sources of outside funding."
- The motion passed (5-0-1, Commissioner Atkins absent)

3.2 **Discussion Regarding Regularly Scheduled Commission Meetings in July and August-**

Following discussion regarding Commission vacation schedules, by consensus, it was agreed that the July and August 2008 meetings will convene as regularly scheduled.

4. **Reports and Communications.**

A. **Committee Reports.**

(1) Art in Public Places Committee

- a. Commissioner Crawford reported on the Collaborative Installation Art Project. The Committee is requesting input from the Commission regarding the theme for the project.
- b. Commissioner Crawford requested assistance with the Window Art Project. Commissioners Hilgeman and Wanee agreed to be appointed to an ad-hoc committee to work on the project. Art Projects Coordinator Gardner was asked to investigate the possibility of recruiting community members to the committee.

(2) Outreach and Education Committee

- a. Commissioner Hilgeman provided the Commission with an update on the Media Awareness Campaign. She requested that all Commissioners e-mail a schedule of availability to her.
- b. Chair Friedlander provided the Commission with a report on Artoberfest 2008.

(3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioner Wanee reported that the Committee continues to draft the revised policy and is expecting the draft to be presented to the Commission at its August 1, 2008 meeting.

B. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported the following:

- (1) The Art Bench Celebration and guided tour on Saturday, June 7 was very successful.
- (2) At its June 3, 2008 budget meeting, Council accepted the Commission's recommendations regarding Community Organization Funding in the Arts Category and funding of Artoberfest for years 2009 and 2010 with a 7.5% reduction.
- (3) Provided the Commission with a copy of a letter from Ira Latour regarding a suggestion for a public art project.
- (4) Documentation for 11 mini grants has been received to date for the 2007-08 fiscal year.
- (5) Distributed an updated Art Minute schedule.

5. **Business from the Floor.** None.

6. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 9, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

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Regular Meeting of July 9, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. *Present:* Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Lindsay and Wane. *Absent:* Commissioner Hilgeman  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner and Administrative Services Director Pierce.
  - 1.2 Art Minute - Commissioner Lindsay presented a slide show on Art Glass Fashion.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.**
  - 2.1 **Approval of Minutes.** A motion by Vice-Chair Wane and seconded by Commissioner Lindsay to approve the minutes of May 14, 2008 and June 11, 2008 with a change in the June 11 minutes to strike the number "1" from the date August 1, 2008 in Item 4. A. (3) to read August 2008 was unanimously approved (5-0-1) with Commissioner Hilgeman absent.
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3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1 **Discussion Regarding Mayor's Awards for Achievement in the Arts.** The Commission discussed the process by which award recipients are selected and potential nominees in the categories of individual, business, and/or non-profit organizations who will be recognized on September 27, 2008 during the kick-off for Artoberfest. The following names were suggested: Rory Rottschalk, Chris Koenig, Katy Perry (Devil Catwalk Productions), Thomasin Saxe, Denny and Maryanne Latimer, Susan Schraeder, Jim Schmidt, Barbara Morris and Eileen Mc Donald, Board of Janet Turner Museum, Chico Paper Company, Common Path, Gregg Payne, Ken Grossman, Dan DeWayne, Lyon Books, and Enloe Cancer Center Gallery. Up to three awardees will be selected at the Commission's August 13, 2008 meeting.
- 3.2 **Update Regarding the Resource List of Pre-Qualified Artists.** Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported that in the coming months a Request for Qualifications for a Resource List of Pre-Qualified Artists will be advertised, a selection panel appointed, and up to 20 artists will be selected who will be available on an as-needed basis to help the City to include architectural art elements and treatments, and unique design solutions for appropriate capital improvement projects. By consensus, the Commission accepted the report.
- 3.3 **Reports and Communications.**
  - A. **Committee Reports.**
    - (1) **Art in Public Places Committee.** Commissioner Lindsay reported that the Committee met and continued its discussion regarding the project specific criteria for the Greening of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Art Project. He also gave a verbal report regarding a joint meeting of the Art in Public Places Committee and the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission Art Committee which was held to discuss possible alternatives regarding recommendations to the Chico Redevelopment Agency to allocate funds for Gregg Payne's proposed Wind Chimes project. With a motion by Commissioner Wane and a second by Commissioner Lindsay, the Commission voted (5-0-1) to schedule reconfirmation of its prior recommendation for approval of the Wind Chimes project, and consideration of increased funding, for the August 13, 2008 meeting.
    - (2) **Outreach and Education Committee.** Commissioner Atkins reported that the Committee met and discussed the Media Awareness Campaign and that Debra Lucero provided the monthly update on the status of Artoberfest.
    - (3) **Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee.** Vice-chair Wane reported that the Committee is working to have the report for the Commission's August 2008 meeting.

B. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.** Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported on the status of the Oak Way Park Sculpture Project and the Forest Avenue Median Art Project.

4. **Business from the Floor.** None.

5. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 13, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

**CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of August 13, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – City Council Chamber

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. *Present:* Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Hilgeman, Lindsay, and Wanee.  
Staff present: Administrative Services Director Pierce, Community Development Manager Carroll, and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2 Art Minute - Commissioner Crawford presented a reading by poet Kay Ryan.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.** At the request of Richard Ek, Item 2.1 was removed from the Consent Agenda.  
  
A motion was made by Commissioner Wanee and seconded by Commissioner Lindsay to approve the remaining Consent Agenda items. The motion passed (6-0).
    - 2.1. **Approval of Minutes** This item was removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.
    - 2.2. **Approval of Blue Room Theatre Request to Fund Position of Production Manager (Fiscal Year 2008-09)**  
  
**Approved** - a request from the Blue Room Theatre to allow City funding for the newly created position of Production Manager which has replaced the position of Artistic Director. ***The Community Development Manager recommended approval of the request.***
    - 2.3. **Approval of Chico Cabaret Request To Revise Agreement For Funding (Fiscal Year (2008-09)**  
  
**Approved** - a request from Chico Cabaret to allow City funding for a revised equipment list for the theater. ***The Community Development Manager recommended approval of the request.***
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**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2.1. **Approval of Minutes.**  
Richard Ek stated he felt the minutes should include more detail.  
  
Commissioner Wanee made a motion to approve the minutes of July 9, 2008, as is and Commissioner Atkins seconded it. The motion passed (6-0).
3. **REGULAR AGENDA**
  - 3.1. **Report on Proposal Submitted by Gregg Payne Regarding Wind Chimes Art Project.**  
On July 9, 2008, the Arts Commission heard a verbal report from Jeff Lindsay regarding a joint meeting of the Arts in Public Places Committee and the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission Art Committee and voted to schedule reconfirmation of prior recommendation for approval of the Wind Chimes project and consideration of a proposal for increased funding. Notices were mailed to residents adjacent to the current site and the proposed site of the Wind Chimes Project.  
  
The Commission was provided with copies of e-mails and letters from Kitty Courcier, Gregg Payne, Jessica Rios and Lisa Williams.  
  
A motion was made by Commissioner Wanee to recommend the Wind Chimes Art Project to be located in the Humboldt Neighborhood Park as presented in the agenda report with increased funding from the Merged Art Fund (382) and, following Chico Redevelopment Agency approval, a joint meeting be held with the artist, a member of the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission, a member of the Arts Commission, and a staff member to determine the specific site within the park location. With a



second by Commissioner Hilgeman, the motion passed (5-0-1), Commissioner Lindsay was disqualified due to a business relationship with one of the potential contractors for the project.

Kitty Courcier spoke in favor of the project.

3.2. **Selection of Mayor's Awards for Achievement in the Arts.**

The Mayor's Awards for Achievement in the Arts are presented each October in memory of former Arts Commissioner Joseph Kaveney. The Commission selected the following award recipients in the categories of individual, business, and/or non-profit organizations for their significant contributions to the arts in the Chico community: Lyon Books, Ken Grossman, and Katy Perry of Devil Kat Rock Productions. Awards will be presented as part of the kick-off weekend celebration for Artoberfest on Saturday, September 27, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. in the City Plaza.

3.3. **Committee Reports.**

(1) **Art in Public Places Committee.**

Commissioner Crawford reported that the Committee, with Associate Civil Engineer Jeff Jukkola in attendance, continued its discussion regarding the project specific criteria for the Chico Depot Art Seating Project. ACE Jukkola is providing technical support and site-specific information which will be provided to artist applicants as part of the advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ). Design review by impacted utility companies and the City's Building Department is included as part of the project.

(2) **Outreach and Education Committee.**

- a. Commissioner Hilgeman provided an update on Artoberfest 2008 and Chico Palio. To date 14 teams had signed up to build horses and compete in the Palio race around City Plaza. A kick-off gala dinner will be held on Friday, September 26, 2008, in the east plaza of City Hall.
- b. She also reported on the progress of the Media Awareness Campaign. As a result of a meeting with Jill Paydon, General Manager of KZFR radio station, weekly Commissioner-conducted interviews with local artists and organizations will air on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. Commissioners may pre-record their interviews at the radio station on Wednesdays between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

(3) **Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee.**

Commissioner Wane reported that the Committee is on hiatus until September 15, 2008. A draft report will be available Fall 2008.

4. **Business from the Floor.** None.

Commissioner Wane inquired about the status of projects included in the Arts Commission's annual work plan, specifically development of a policy and guidelines for recommendation to the Council, requiring private developers to include art in their projects. Commissioner Crawford commented that she will review the work to date, and report back to the Commission at its next meeting.

5. **Reports and Communications.**

5.1. **Report Regarding Administrative Approval of Reallocation of City Funding for Ensemble Theatre (Fiscal Year 2008-09).**

Community Development Manager Carroll provided information that due to the cancellation of seven of the fifteen Shakespeare in the Plaza performances due to the unhealthy air quality from the recent fires, administrative approval has been given to use some of the funding allocated for park fees for these performances to the emergency costs of rental of the El Rey Theater and miscellaneous relocation expenses. That portion of the prepaid park fees allocable to the seven cancellations will be refunded to the organization. No action by the Commission was required on this item.

5. **Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 10, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

**CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of September 10, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – City Council Chamber

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. *Present:* Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Hilgeman, and Lindsay.  
*Absent:* Commissioner Wanee.  
Staff present: Administrative Services Director Pierce, Art Projects Coordinator Gardner, and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2 Art Minute - Commissioner Hilgeman conducted a crayon/pastel “doodle” art activity with the Commission and staff. During the activity, she simultaneously presented a slide show of works by artist Dale Chihuly..
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.** At the request of Commissioner Friedlander, item 2.1 was removed from the Consent Agenda.
  - 2.1. **Approval of Minutes** This item was removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.
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**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2.1. **Approval of Minutes.** The minutes of August 14, 2008 were pulled at the request of Chair Friedlander. He requested that item 2.1 (Approval of Minutes) should be corrected to include the words “Katy Perry of” to the phrase “Devil Kat Rock Productions” as one of the recipients of the Mayor’s Awards for Achievement in the Arts.

A motion was made by Commissioner Atkins and seconded by Commissioner Lindsay to approve corrected the minutes. The motion passed (5-0-1, Wanee absent)

3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1. Report Regarding Chico Palio and Artoberfest 2008 - Debra Lucero, Executive Director of Friends of the Arts reported on the schedule of events for Artoberfest 2008 and Chico Palio which kicks off on Friday, September 26, 2008. The Artoberfest Guide was distributed on August 1, 2008. Over 200 organizations were contacted and there are 130 events listed in the Guide this year.
- 3.2. Presentation of “Shatter 2 Matter” Recipient of 2007-08 Arts Funding - Cynthia Schildauer, Director of Open Arts, and artist David Sisk, provided a presentation on the “Shatter 2 Matter” program. Sixteen “at risk” teenagers completed the program. Ms. Schildauer reported to the Commission that the definition of the word “shatter” is “to break” and the word “matter” is “to be of importance,” and that the goal of the program was to use the broken material as a metaphor of a broken life and to recreate the fragments into something beautiful. The students broke up old furniture and, using the remnants, worked in small groups to fabricate tables that were self-representations.
- 3.3. Presentation of the 2007-08 Artists Mini-Grant Projects - Presentations were provided by the following recipients of mini grants:

Janice Hofmann - worked with Chico Junior High School's Opportunity Class to create a mosaic table and benches. Ms Hofmann reported that students conceived a design, created all the elements to achieve that design, and fabricated the mosaic, and that participating in the process from beginning to end, with a finished product was very important. The students used the school logo, a cougar, for the center of the table, and the outer edge of the table was made with tiles imprinted with their names and designs of their choice.

Robin Indar - created a concrete Sea Serpent, embellished with mosaic, which is located in the Caper Acres toddler play area of Bidwell Park. Ms. Indar reported that it was designed in such a way that children could safely climb all over it and that many of the tiles were made by her and that the eyes of the serpent were hand blown by Rick Satava Glass of Chico.

Christine Jennings - created five batik wall hangings and mounted them in the midtown Chico post office. Ms. Jennings reported that the larger piece, with a Robin Hood theme, is located on the west wall in the lobby and that the smaller hangings, part of a four-piece set that blend as one picture, are simple batik paintings of trees and indigenous birds. She stated that the mid-town post office was chosen so that patrons would have something pleasant to look at while waiting in line.

Mabre Ormes - worked with the Academy For Change to create a mural of a fairy tale for McManus Elementary School. Ms Ormes stated that the mural is 22 feet long and 8 feet high and that the students earned school credits for participating in the project.

#### 4. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

##### A. **Committee Reports.**

- (1) Art in Public Places Committee - Commissioner Lindsay reported that the Committee is continuing to work on the Chico Depot Art Project and that they have requested site plan information from the City. He also reported that the Oak Way Park Sculpture was on site for a few days but, has been moved back to the sculpturer's studio for additional work and inspections. Commissioner Crawford provided an update on the Window Art Project. There are 43 downtown businesses (who will include a plaque denoting the artist and media), partnering with local Chico artists. Brochures including a walking tour map, will be available at all participating businesses from October 1 - 31, 2008 and at the Municipal Center Building.
- (2) Outreach and Education Committee - Commissioner Atkins reported on the Art Awareness Media Campaign. She stated that it was very important for the Commission to attend the Artoberfest kick off event as well as other events during the month. Six events were selected as priorities for Commission attendance: Chico Glass Fest, October 23-25, 2008; Artifacts by Erin Wade (dates not yet known); Book signing with John Villani at Lyon Books, October 6, 2008; Open Studio Kickoff, October 4, 2008; Chico Palio Community Banquet, September 26, 2008; Mayor's Awards for Achievement in the Arts and the Window Art Project Kick off, Saturday, September 27, 2008 Commissioner Hilgeman provided the Commission with a sign up schedule for the KZFR radio station for "A Look at the North Valley."
- (3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee. None.

##### B. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported the following:

- (1) Oak Way Park Sculpture Project artist, Dave Brown is working with technical advisor, Bob Honan to complete the sculpture. The date of the dedication will be announced in October.
- (2) The new exhibit at the Municipal Center Building is by Christina Aranguren. She will be leading a tour and discussion of the exhibit on the second Thursdays in October, November and December at 3:00 p.m.
- (3) On Tuesday, September 16, 2008, the City Council will be considering the Commission's recommendation regarding Gregg Payne's Wind Chimes Project.

#### 5. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR.** None.

Debra Lucero provided 10 tickets for each Commissioner to sell for the Artoberfest dinner.

#### 6. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING.** The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

**CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of October 8, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – City Council Chamber

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. *Present:* Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Hilgeman, Lindsay, and Wanee.  
Staff present: Art Projects Coordinator Gardner and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2 Art Minute - Commissioner Atkins introduced Talia Scherquist, Program Director for Catalyst Domestic Violence Services, who presented information about Catalyst's services and an art exhibit occurring during October in conjunction with National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA.**
  - 2.1. **Approval of Minutes** A motion by Commissioner Lindsay and seconded by Commissioner Atkins to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2008 was approved (5-0-1, Commissioner Wanee abstaining).
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3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1. Presentation of the 2007-08 Artists Mini-Grant Projects - Presentations were provided by the following recipients of mini grants:

Tanya Mullen - created four large paintings on silk which are at the Esplanade House. Ms. Mullen stated that the silk paintings are fabricated using the French Certi method and depict a path based on sketches done in upper Bidwell Park.

Gregg Payne - created murals to decorate a metal storage box located at the Chico Community Children's Center. Mr. Payne reported that he chose the theme of a storybook with ladybugs and other insects to appeal to the children at the Center. He also included the statement "How High Can You Reach?" and utilized hand prints made by the children.

Rosemary Quinn - wrote and performed "A Heart Greater Than Fear," based on the life of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, one of the leaders of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century American Women's Movement who worked for Susan B. Anthony. Ms. Quinn reported that the piece was performed for an approximate total of 600 persons at venues including the 1078 Gallery, Chico Women's Club, Butte College, and the Chico Goddess Temple.

Gordy Ohliger - wrote and performed "Bidwell's Little Town," a show of songs and stories about Chico's early history and the life and times of John and Annie Bidwell performed on antique banjos from the era being sung about. The full-length shows were held at the Women's Club and shorter versions of the show were performed at area schools.

August Kube - Did not attend meeting.

- 3.2 Discussion Regarding Artoberfest.Org Website - Ray Laager, representing Friends of the Arts and Earl Jesse of Learning Change, provided an update on the Artoberfest.Org website and requested direction from the Commission regarding criteria for acceptable content for the website. By consensus, the Commission agreed to review the Artoberfest.org website in detail as part of its consideration of the annual report by Friends of the Arts regarding the Artoberfest Marketing Campaign. Chair Friedlander requested that, in advance of that meeting, Mr. Jesse provide the Commission with data regarding numbers of hits to the website.

- 3.3 Appointment of Commission's Representative to the Wind Chime Site Selection Committee - Art Projects Coordinator reported that the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission appointed fellow Commissioner Steve Lucas to the Humboldt Neighborhood Park Wind Chime Site Selection Committee and that Interim Assistant City Manager Dennis Beardsley will serve as the City staff person. A representative from the neighborhood will be solicited to serve on the Site Selection Committee at a meeting of neighbors residing within a 300 foot radius of the Park. By consensus, Chair Friedlander was selected to represent the Arts Commission on the Committee.

#### 4. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

##### A. **Committee Reports.**

- (1) Art in Public Places Committee - Commissioner Lindsey reported that the Committee met regarding the Chico Depot Art Project which includes weather protection, lighting, seating, and possibly a drinking fountain and taxi phone. They also met regarding the Greening of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Art Project which could include solar lighting, water storage, wind, and recycled materials. An on-line application service will be utilized to process the applications for the projects which will provide staff and the selection panels with standardized artist submission materials. The final drafts of the Request for Qualifications (RFQs) will be presented to the Commission at its November 2008 meeting. Commissioner Crawford reported on the Window Art Project stating that 45 downtown businesses and 49 artists participated and included in a map brochure coordinated by Commissioner Hilgeman.
- (2) Outreach and Education Committee - Commissioner Atkins reported that the Committee is continuing its work on the Media Awareness Campaign. She stated that interviews with artists and organizations are being broadcast weekly on KZFR. She also reported that the Committee is working to expand into other media outlets such as KHSL, KCHO, Chico News & Review.
- (3) Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee. Commissioner Wane reported that the Committee is continuing to make progress.

##### B. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported the following:

- (1) Christina Aranguren, the artist currently exhibiting in the Municipal Center Building, will conduct a tour of her art work the second Thursdays in October, November and December 2008 at 3:00 p.m.
- (2) Erin Wade, a 2008 Artist Mini Grant recipient, will display her project October 18 - November 1, 2008 at One Mile Sycamore Pool. The art is fabricated with trash collected in Bidwell Park.
- (3). The Oak Way Park Sculpture Project is completed and ready to be installed. The dedication will take place on Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.
- (4). The Forest Avenue Median Art Project is on schedule. It should be installed at the end of October 2008. The dedication has yet to be scheduled.
- (5). Author, John Villani's new book, *Art Towns California*, which includes Chico, is now on sale at Lyon Books.
- (6). Brochures are available at City Hall and the Chamber of Commerce for the Window Art Project and the Walking Bench Tour.
- (7). The Chico Glass Fest is taking place on October 23 - 25, 2008. Tickets for the event are available at Orient & Flume, Satava Art Glass, and 1078 Gallery. Artoberfest Guides which include the Glass Fest schedule are available at City Hall and the Chamber of Commerce.

5. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR.** None.

6. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING.** The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

**CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION  
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Regular Meeting of November 12, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Chico Municipal Center – 421 Main Street – City Council Chamber

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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. *Present:* Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Hilgeman, Lindsay, and Wanee.  
Staff present: Administrative Services Director Pierce, Art Projects Coordinator Gardner, and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - 2.1. **Approval of Minutes** A motion by Commissioner Wanee to approve the minutes of October 8, 2008 was seconded by Commissioner Lindsay. The motion passed (6-0).
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3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1. **Report Regarding the 2008 Artoberfest Marketing Campaign** - Debra Lucero provided the Commission with a verbal report and power point presentation on the 2008 Artoberfest Marketing Campaign. A written report will be presented to the Commission at a future meeting.
- 3.2. **Discussion Regarding Process For Appointments to Standing Committees** - The Commission discussed the manner in which it makes appointments to its two standing committees: Outreach and Education Committee and Art in Public Places Committee. The City Clerk's recruitment schedule for upcoming vacancies on the City's Boards and Commissions was also discussed.

Commissioner Lindsay made a motion to recommend to the City Council that: (1) it consider appointing an alternate Commission member to serve in the event of a mid-term vacancy; and (2) the applicant who receives the next highest number of votes after Commission appointments are made, would be appointed as the alternate. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hilgeman and passed (6-0).

- 3.3. **Consideration of the Art in Public Places Committee Recommendation Regarding the Request for Qualifications (RFQ's) for the Greening of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Art Project and the Chico Depot Art Seating Project** - Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported on the recommendation regarding the two RFQ's.

Commissioner Lindsay made a motion to accept the Art in Public Places Committee recommendation as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2008, including the recommendation that in the event that the selection panels are unable to reach consensus, and a voting process is utilized, the survey of public opinion conducted during the public display of the project models will count as one vote. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Crawford and passed (6-0).

Art Projects Coordinator reported that staff will utilize Café online ([www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org)) for the two Requests for Qualifications, an on-line service which processes artists' public art applications.

4. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

A. **Committee Reports.**

- (1) **Art in Public Places Committee** - Commissioner Lindsay reported that the Committee drafted the final recommendation regarding the Greening of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Art Project which will include a national artist recruitment and the Chico Depot Art Seating Project which will include a western United States artist recruitment.
- (2) **Outreach and Education Committee** - Commissioner Hilgeman reported that she continues to work on the KZFR Art Minute schedule for radio interviews.
- (3) **Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee** - Commissioner Wanee reported that the

Committee continues to make progress on the draft of the revised policy. Commissioner Crawford provided a report on the webinar *Public Art 101*, presented by Americans for the Arts on October 22, 2008. The webinar was also attended by Management Analyst Carroll, and Committee member Gregg Payne.

**B. Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported the following:

- (1) The dedication for the Oak Way Park Sculpture Project has been rescheduled for December 4, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.
- (2) The Forest Avenue Median Art Project will be installed during the week of November 21, 2008.
- (3) The Humboldt Neighborhood Park Wind Chime Project Scoping meeting was held on December 6, 2008. Leslie Curry was selected by lottery to be the neighborhood representative on the Site Selection Committee
- (4) The Commission will begin to work on 2009 Work Plan in early 2009.
- (5) Recruitment for City of Chico Boards and Commissions is underway. The deadline to submit an application is Friday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available online at [www.ci.chico.ca.us](http://www.ci.chico.ca.us) or through the City Clerk's office.

5. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR.** None.

6. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 10, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

**CITY OF CHICO ARTS COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of December 10, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
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1. Call to Order. Chair Friedlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1. Roll Call. *Present:* Chair Friedlander, Commissioners Atkins, Crawford, Hilgeman, Lindsay, and Wanee.  
Staff present: Administrative Services Director Pierce, Art Projects Coordinator Gardner, and Administrative Analyst Kelly.
  - 1.2. **Art Minute** - Commissioner Wanee introduced Pat Kopp, retired Director of University Public Events, CSU, Chico, who provided a Christmas reading on "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."
  2. **CONSENT AGENDA** At the request of Commissioner Crawford, Item 2.1 was removed from the Consent Agenda.
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**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

2.1 **Approval of Minutes.**

Following clarification regarding the two projects utilizing Café Online ([www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org)) in Item 3.3, motion by Commissioner Wanee to approve the minutes of November 12, 2008 was seconded by Commissioner Lindsay. The motion passed (6-0).

3. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 3.1. **Discussion Regarding the Commpath.org Website** - At its June 19, 2007 meeting, the City Council allocated \$2,000 to Friends of the Arts for the development of a marketing plan for the Commonpath.org Website. Weston Thomson, who designed and managed the site, along with Debra Lucero, Executive Director of Friends of the Arts, provided the Commission with a report on how the money was spent and the results of the marketing campaign.

The City funds were used to promote Commonpath.org through an event called the Secret Art Show and related materials and activities such as stickers, t-shirts, web blasts and web banners. Following the event, there was a definitive increase in traffic to the Commonpath.org website.

Chair Friedlander requested that Mr. Thomson provide a hard copy of the power point presentation and information comparing the number of hits to the Commonpath.org site before and after the promotional efforts.

- 3.2 **Discussion and Acceptance of A Written Report Regarding Chico Artoberfest 2008** - Debra Lucero, Executive Director of Friends of the Arts presented the Commission with a written report regarding Chico Artoberfest 2008 of which she had provided a verbal report at the November 12, 2008, meeting. The Art Projects Coordinator recommended the Arts Commission accept the report and forward it to the City Council for acceptance.

A motion by Commissioner Wanee to accept the report and forward it to the City Council for acceptance was seconded by Commissioner Lindsay. The motion passed (6-0).

A motion by Commissioner Atkins to write a letter to the National Endowment for the Arts on behalf of the Commission and signed by Chair Friedlander, detailing the efforts made to reach out to the artist, Tomji, who had publically criticized the Artoberfest.org site, was seconded by Commissioner Hilgeman. The motion passed (6-0).



#### 4. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

##### A. **Committee Reports.**

- (1) **Art in Public Places Committee** - Commissioner Lindsay provided a report on the field trip to the Humboldt Neighborhood Park to investigate the future siting of the Wind Chimes by Gregg Payne. The Committee determined that the appropriate location for the Wind Chimes was on the west side of the park nearer Little Chico Creek. This honors the request made by neighbors to keep the middle of the park open for other activities.

Commissioner Crawford reported on the webinar "Leadership in Tough Times" provided by the Americans for the Arts held on December 10, 2008.

- (2) **Outreach and Education Committee** - Commissioner Atkins reported that the Committee recommended that one webinar per month be included in next year's budget.

Commissioner Hilgeman reported that the KZFR Art Minute is doing well and requested that Commissioners recommend specific artists and organizations for interviews.

- (3) **Public Art Policy Review Ad Hoc Committee** - Commissioner Wanee reported that they are continuing to meet and make progress on the policy manual.

Commissioner Crawford reported on two webinars in which she, and others, participated, "Public Art 101," and "Public Art 101 for Administrators" provided by Americans for the Arts.

##### B. **Art Projects Coordinator Report.**

Art Projects Coordinator Gardner reported the following:

- (1) The Forest Avenue Project by Cal Ling will be installed Friday, December 12, 2008.
- (2) The Oak Way Park sculpture is being repaired and the rescheduling of the date for the dedication ceremony is underway.
- (3) The Humboldt Neighborhood Park Site Selection Committee will meet tomorrow, December 11 at 3:45 p.m. regarding the Wind Chimes project. Art Projects Coordinator will report to the Commission via e-mail after the meeting.
- (4) Recruitment for the Arts Commission positions has been extended to December 19, 2008. Information and applications are available on the City's website, [www.ci.chico.ca.us](http://www.ci.chico.ca.us).
- (5) Art Projects Coordinator provided a presentation to the Planning Department at its staff meeting about public art and how it fits into the planning process.

#### 5. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR.**

Jamaica Hartley, Creative Director and founder of "My Chico," distributed a press release to introduce the new social networking site in Chico

Debra Lucero thanked Commissioner Lindsay for his dedication and his service on the Arts Commission.

#### 6. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m. The next Arts Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.