

*\* Minutes for May 15, 2014 are and will remain unapproved, as the members who were in attendance are not now present and the current members who are present were not present at the prior meetings and thus don't wish to approve.*

**MINUTES\***  
**PUBLIC ART COMMISSION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Thursday, May 15, 2014**  
Palo Alto Civic Center  
Council Conference Room  
250 Hamilton Avenue  
**6:00 p.m.**

**Commissioners Present:** **Kathleen Kavanaugh, Nia Taylor, Jim Migdal, Vikki Tobak, Dara Silverstein**

**Commissioners Absent:** **Ben Miyaji, Amanda Ross**

**Staff present:** **Elise DeMarzo, Public Art Program Manager**  
**Nadya Chuprina, Public Art Program Assistant II**

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Chair Kavanaugh

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – Community member Bette Kiernan introduced a proposal to the Commission that would capitalize on partnerships with Silicon Valley Tech companies to produce technology driven installations across downtown Palo Alto.

ADDITIONS, CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS – none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 17, 2014 Minutes was tabled to the June 20 meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT – DeMarzo provided a detailed report for the CIP and Maintenance Budgets. Commissioners reviewed the budgets.

STAFF COMMENTS – DeMarzo updated the Commission on the partner presentation held on May 12. Matthew Tiews, Executive Director of Arts Programs for Stanford, made a brief partner presentation to City Council in which he briefly highlighted the art programming at Stanford and the partnership with the City of Palo Alto to bring Ala Ebtakar's temporary public art installation to the University Avenue tunnels. DeMarzo also reported on the status of the application process for the Cubberley Artist Studio Program. DeMarzo also announced the appointed Public Art Commissioners.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY – Chair Kavanaugh welcomed new commissioners: Migdal, Silverstein and Taylor. The new commissioners introduced themselves and talked about their professional backgrounds.

ACTION

1. Approval of Mural Design by Martin Webb – DeMarzo provided the overview of the public art commission for the Water Quality Control Plant and requested that the Commission approve the design for a mural by artist Martin Webb on the recycled water tank. **Motion:** Chair Kavanaugh moved that the Commission approve the final design for Webb’s mural. **Second** by Commissioner Tobak. **All in favor.**

#### NON-ACTION

2. Initial Review for the Private Development Project at 1050 Page Mill Road- Architect Bob Giannini and Alison Koo of Sand Hill Properties provided a presentation of the development project at 1050 Page Mill Road and its status. Commissioners reviewed the details of the development and provided feedback for possible types and themes of public art onsite.
3. Retreat – Chair Kavanaugh led a discussion regarding the upcoming retreat. Main topics to be discussed at the retreat are Municipal Arts Plan, including review of the current fund allocations, and Public Art master Planning process including scope, content, goals / objectives, and budget of the Plan. The date for the retreat is June 23 from 5 to 9 PM, location to be determined.

4. Subcommittee Reports:

Governance Subcommittee:

- No report

Outreach Subcommittee:

- No report

Innovation Subcommittee:

Commissioner Tobak gave a presentation on green / sustainable practices in Public Art.

5. Collection Review: Chair Kavanaugh led a discussion on some of the pieces in the collection on the database page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none.

#### FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 19, 2014, 7.00PM at Council Conference Room

ADJOURNMENT- The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM by Chair Kavanaugh.