

Commissioners

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MINUTES

COLTON HALL MUSEUM AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

April 23, 2007 4:00 p.m.

City Council Chamber

Present: Commissioners Washburn, Schneider, Theodore, Solitario, Todd (4:50), Welling, Dias, Reese, Morris and Council member Selfridge

Staff: Kim Bui-Burton, Doug Holtzman, Jim Conway, and Chalet Catlin

Absent: Commissioners Stock, Ansel, and Buskirk

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Chair Washburn called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

II. INTRODUCE AND WELCOME NEW COMMISSIONER MARIA DIAS

A. Chair Washburn gave a hearty welcome to Maria Dias as the newest member of the commission. The commissioners and staff gave a brief introduction of their participation and years of service on the commission.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of March 26, 2007 were amended. **MOTION:** Motion made by Commissioner Solitario to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Welling. All ayes motion passed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Comment.

V. STAFF REPORT

ACTIVITY REPORT- Jim presented the activity report to the Commission. Kim informed the Commission that Office Assistant II Joelle Bushrow has resigned and that the division was in the process of recruiting a replacement. Jim informed the Commission that monument repair is moving forward and was please to share that the cost may be less than originally estimated. He also told the Commission that an appraiser has been selected to work on the City of Monterey's Art Collection. Bonhams & Butterfields proposed an appraisal well below the costs that had been expected. We are hopeful to start the process in the next couple of weeks.

Kim stated that the Preserve America Conference, scheduled for June 21, 22 and 23, will be held in Monterey. Kim and Jim informed the Commission of the Preserve America grants that have been awarded to the City of Monterey to

promote our historic resources. A social event was planned with a mini reception at Colton Hall the evening of the 22nd.

Jim discussed the solutions we have for the candle light in Colton Hall.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. ANGEL FUNDRAISING PROJECT- Commissioner Welling gave the Commission an update on the large Angels. Three angels are finished and in the store if anyone would like to come by and see them. We have currently 80 small angels that have been spoken for but are in the process of finding someone to cut them out. Commissioner Dias was given a history of this project to bring her up to speed. Commissioner Dias offered her marketing talents for the project. Publicity options were discussed.

B. CULTURAL ARTS GRANTS - The Commissioners were given the packets of applications with score sheets and criteria outlines. Kim gave them guidelines to follow for their evaluation of each proposal and presented the staff report. She also explained the selection process and how their recommendation would then go to the City Council. She reminded the commission that the organizations would be coming to the special meeting on April 30 to make their presentations and the Commission would make their decision. Doug gave a scenario on how to make the motion. Staff answered various questions regarding the process.

C. 2007-2008 BUDGET - Kim explained the process is moving forward and the finance committee was presenting the request to the city manager and will come back with any questions.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. COMMISSIONER RETREAT - After much discussion Saturday, May 19, 2007, 9:30 am was selected.

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS

A. Commissioner Todd apologized for her tardiness.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Chair Washburn adjourned the meeting at 5:05 PM

B. Next Meeting: April 30, 2007, 4:00 PM City Council Chambers

Minutes by Chalet Catlin