

# Cultural Council Minutes

## April 16, 2008

**Attendees:** Jennifer Bushnell, Amy Whittenburg, Tom Gant, Kathy Feek, GG Getz, Boris Srdar, Leah Kliger, Mia Coolidge, Mary Jane Vinella

### **Chair and Vice-Chair Positions**

GG voted as Chair, Leah voted as Vice Chair

### **20/20 Vision for the Arts**

RFP went out and questions are already coming in

Steering committee members are accepting the invitation so far, none have said no. We have 4 currently and appointments are scheduled for more.

### **Public Art**

Annex artist update (old Hopelink building)

Artist selection committee interviewed 3 artists, selected Wayne Chabre who has accepted the project and is reviewing the contract currently. Will be a metal screen with historical details of the city integrated into the art. Bob Burke is working with him to give him historical photos.

### **Art in Private Development**

#### Video for developers

Video feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Julie and Leah presented it at the 4Culture Local Arts Agencies meeting. Many have already asked for copies.

Brochure in progress, feedback received on the brochure. Council members would like copies of the DVD as soon as we can get copies.

#### Update on developments

Park Place has scaled back the buildings a bit. Kathy and GG will attend meeting tomorrow where they will discuss the process for selecting the art. BofA in middle of appeal process, McCloud also appealed. Bob is point person for B of A, Tom agreed to be point person for McCloud.

### **LAA meeting Update**

#### Kirkland Hosting July 24<sup>th</sup>

At Heritage Hall. Would like to bring materials to showcase the arts in Kirkland; and also the video for developers.

#### KCC member of ArtsWA: newsletter?

Individual members can sign up on the website.

#### Proclamation with ArtsWA on 5/6/08

Una unable to attend, possibilities are the principals of Juanita Elementary or other local school choir. Council members will attend as well. Kathy and Leah will try to be there. Other local persons to have accept this?

#### Worlds Fair anniversary 2009

Leah proposed the council could partner with Heritage Society to come up with an event. Council recommended Leah speak with Bob Burke or Linda.

#### **Transit Centers Updates**

Downtown transit center: Tracy will ask Ray what the status of this is

Totem Lake Transit Center: Photos shown of what the art currently looks like. Landscaping is sparse. Concerns of how the artist will react to how it turned out.

#### **Cannery Update**

Current strategy is not to purchase the land and building but just trying to save the building. Kathy will talk with Doug Howe just as a remote possibility.

#### **Community Collaboration**

Leah presented a proposal for a new subcommittee to work on Community Collaboration, and include cc members as well as community members. Activities include developing a list of arts organizations in Kirkland, develop a listserv, create working relationships with arts education teachers, and sponsor an annual “meet and greet” with council and arts organizations. Discussion around how this issue has arisen several times and that can be built upon. Council supports this proposal. Possible members: Mary Jane, Suzanne Kagen, Amy

#### **Uncorked Sponsorship**

Tracy is in conversation with Bold Hat to determine appropriate level of sponsorship. Discussed funds that the council has to provide that sponsorship. \$5000 that the council gets every year could be used for this, minus the money given to KAST. Discussed importance of branding. Other ideas such as providing street performers or purchasing a piece of art that could be raffled. Council decided to sponsor at \$2000 level.

#### **Carillon Woods sculpture is installed**

Celebration needs to be planned similar to Norkirk. Lisa McCleary suggested sometime between June 6-23.