



Arts Commission  
Of the  
City of Rio Rancho

MINUTES

April 12, 2012

6:00 P.M.

City Hall Parks, Recreation and Community Services Large Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jaymes Dudding  
Krysia Napiorkowski  
Joseph McDonnell  
Kristi McFarlin  
Paula Scott

STAFF PRESENT:

Jay Hart  
Dyane Sonier

CALL TO ORDER

Jaymes Dudding called the meeting to order at 6: 02 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Jaymes Dudding asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes of March 8, 2012.

Paula Scott motioned for approval. Seconded by Krysia Napiorkowski. There was no additional discussion among the members.

The motion passed by a vote 5 for and none against.  
Yes: Dudding, Napiorkowski, McDonnell, McFarlin, Scott  
No: None  
Absent: Chamberlain

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 MINUTES EACH)

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

REPORTS

1. Art Projects In Process. UNM Art Project: Dyane Sonier informed the group that she met with the Artist, his fabricator and Taudy Miller from UNM to discuss construction schedule, permitting requirements and UNM's plans for utilities in the art installation area. Gateway Project: Jay Hart told the RRAC that the artist sealed the artwork and the City and SSCAFCA are working on transferring the care and maintenance of the artwork to the City. Jay also indicated that because the artwork project was SSCAFCA's, the City wouldn't recommend pushing a dedication until the Gateway Park is completed as is currently in SSCAFCA's plans. Paula asked if a more informative piece on the artwork could be posted on the City website that says it is a SSCAFCA project – and have it be placed on the main page. Kristi said it is a good idea to have a joint event for the park and artwork because

1 more people would show up to the event. Dyane informed the group that the drop-dead date  
2 for major park construction is June 30, 2012. With this information in mind, Paula asked if  
3 SSCAFCA could go ahead and choose a dedication date and have it posted on their, and the  
4 City's websites.

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6 2. Community Arts Awards Subcommittee

7 Joe McDonnell reported that he, Paula and Jaymes met on March 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss the project.  
8 They discussed the program content, funding (possible pass-through Rio Rancho Art  
9 Association as a 501 (c ) 3) and more based on the Tucson-Pima Art Council framework: to  
10 recognize all forms of art, celebrated with an event (first two events likely luncheons),  
11 nominations with two letters of support for candidates, reviewed by public voting system like  
12 the Bravos Awards. Possibilities of where funding will come from to provide the awards,  
13 media packages, sponsorships, funds raised by ticket sales, silent auction, etc. The  
14 Subcommittee would like for the City /City Council to get behind the event similar (but not  
15 exactly like) the Mayor's Ball in terms of general promotion of the event, then the RRAC  
16 would handle all of the logistics. The subcommittee would also like to draw in Noreen Scott  
17 with Economic Development as well. The Subcommittee would like to get this project going,  
18 but would need to wait for the Rio Rancho Art Association's creation of their 501 (c ) 3 status.

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20 3. Youth Film Festival Subcommittee

21 Kristi McFarlin asked questions for clarification of the RRAC and City Staff. Kristi and Krysia  
22 will continue to work on the power point presentation for the Premiere Theater's Corporate  
23 Office. They were told they could use the City logo – and one would be provided to them,  
24 the members of the RRAC agreed to review whatever the subcommittee produces, and it will  
25 also be presented to Peter Wells to ensure it is in keeping with the "branding" and other  
26 Public Information standards the City has.

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28 4. State Capital Outlay subject to the 1% for the Arts (Jay Hart)

29 Jay Hart spoke with the City's Grants Administrator to find out the approximate dollar  
30 amounts of near-term State Capital funding that would be available to the RRAC through the  
31 1% for the Arts legislation. Through the Senior Center's Parking Lot repairs (through the  
32 Department of Aging) they needed to confirm if the 1% legislation applied to that funding  
33 source. For the over \$1.3 million awarded for the "A Park Above" project \$13,265 would be  
34 available, and based on the dollar amount, it is likely that the State's art procurement  
35 process (currently being followed for the HP Project) would be used to solicit artists or install  
36 existing art from the State's Inventory. As more information becomes available, Jay will  
37 share it with the Commission.

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39 **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

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41 **1. Pat Socci's Proposal for Tree Trunk Sculptures – Recommendation as Art for City**  
42 **Collection, Funding, Relocation.**

43 Jay Hart reported to the Commission that he has not heard any additional information from Pat  
44 on this project, the City Manager supported relocating the carved trunk sculpture/ art as long  
45 as City funds were not used to remove them and the NHPOA agreed they had no ownership  
46 of the artwork.

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48 Paula told the group that Pat had the sculptures removed from the median and they are now  
49 being stored in her yard.

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51 The group discussed a variety of ways to try to raise funds to acquire the art and display them.  
52 Collectively the group liked the idea of mounting them on poles (or other appropriate  
53 structures) at the new Gateway Park. Jaymes and Paula will make a request of the

1 SSCAFCA Board. Jaymes said that someone needs to communicate with Pat about the  
2 RRAC's intent to move forward with the project, and Dyane volunteered.

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4 **TREE SCULPTURES ART DECLARATION :** Jaymes Dudding asked for a motion to declare that the tree  
5 sculptures as art and appropriate additions to the city's public art collection.

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7 Paula Scott motioned for approval. Seconded by Joe McDonnell. There was no additional discussion  
8 among the members.

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10 The motion passed by a vote 5 for and none against.  
11 Yes: Dudding, Napiorkowski, McDonnell, McFarlin, Scott  
12 No: None  
13 Absent: Chamberlain

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15 **2. New Mexico Art – Grant Funding Opportunity.**

16 Jaymes Dudding reminded the group to use the internet link to review the grant and process  
17 on-line. Jaymes said the RRAC was eligible for a maximum of \$20,000 with a 50% match of  
18 which 50% must be cash (\$5,000). Dyane described what project was considered by the  
19 RRAC for the 2011 grant (Art Studio or Gallery Space – would be donated by local  
20 businesses/vacant strip malls and the grant would fund the purchase of panels and lighting for  
21 art display that could be moved from site to site). One thing that held up the application last  
22 year was lack of identified building space, and documents (artist selection criteria, contracts,  
23 insurance, etc).

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25 At this time Paula Scott voiced concerns that this grant and associated project/s were not  
26 currently in the RRAC's reach, especially since the RRAC would need to raise the matching  
27 \$5,000.

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29 **POSTPONEMENT OF NEW MEXICO ART GRANT APPLICATION:** Kristi McFarlin made a motion to  
30 postpone the development of an appropriate grant project and application to a later date, when funds  
31 and other resources are available. Krysia Napiorkowski seconded. There was no additional  
32 discussion among the members.

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34 The motion passed by a vote 5 for and none against.  
35 Yes: Dudding, Napiorkowski, McDonnell, McFarlin, Scott  
36 No: None  
37 Absent: Chamberlain

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39 **3. June 13, 2012 Governing Body Report.**

40 Paula Scott provided a handout to the Commissioners showing the body/talking points of the  
41 upcoming Governing Body Report. Paula and Jaymes were working on the document and  
42 Paula told the group it will be a "canned report" where she would be narrating the power point  
43 or movie which will be on a DVD or CD.

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45 Paula asked if Dyane could get the dates for the Art in the Park event, the number of artists,  
46 number of people attending and monies raised for the 2011 season for the report.

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48 **4. Floodwall Artwork Ribbon Cutting/Reception.**

49 This item was fully addressed under the report above for the Gate Way project report. No  
50 additional discussion occurred.

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52 **5. 2012 Goals**

53 The group briefly discussed the goals and associated projects as previously approved. There  
54 was no additional discussion, comments or information from the Commissioners.

1 **OTHER BUSINESS**

2 Members discussed approving the policy that Dyane had provided to them in January and general  
3 approval of the policy titled: Public Art Display at City Facilities Policy. The members will again  
4 review and provide any comments directly to Dyane.

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6 Jay recommended that the commission discuss one goal from their list per meeting with action items  
7 associated with it to make meetings more productive.

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9 The members suggested the following agenda for the May meeting"

10 Reports (5 minutes or less): Art Projects in Process; Community Arts Awards Subcommittee; Youth  
11 Film Festival Subcommittee; Rio Rancho Art Association

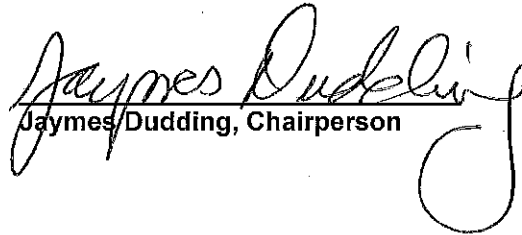
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13 Discussion and Deliberation: 1) Continue to discuss and assign work/changes for the Policies and  
14 Procedures (Dyane will send the list provided for the January meeting to the group with the next  
15 meeting's agenda); 2) Sanctioning the Rio Rancho Public Schools Art Show (Paula)

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17 **ADJOURNMENT**

18 Jaymes Dudding adjourned the meeting. There were no comments from the Commission.

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20 **There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at**  
21 **7:58 P.M.**

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23 **APPROVED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2012**

  
Jaymes Dudding, Chairperson

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27 **ATTEST:**

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30 **Dyane Sonier, Resource Development Manager**  
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