

**CITY OF SAN MATEO
CIVIC ARTS COMMITTEE (CAC)
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 13, 2017**

The meeting convened at 3:34 p.m. in Conference Room C at San Mateo City Hall and was called to order by Vice Chair Tabler.

Roll Call

Those present were Committee Members, Stephen Tabler, Dianne Whitaker, Charlie Drechsler, Lorna Watt was excused and Chair Robert Gooyer arrived at 4:15pm. Staff present was Heather Stewart, Senior Management Analyst.

Approval of Minutes

- Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2017 – Drechsler/Whitaker; passed 3-0

Public Comment Period

None

New Business

1. Hillsdale Shopping Center North

Representatives from the applicant, Bohannon Development, with ELS Architecture and OTL – Outside the Lines provided a detailed presentation and video representation of their proposal: a central, architectural and interactive fountain element; artistically landscaped interior that can be changed with seasons and/or holidays; with synchronized music, water movement, and lighting. Project approved 3-0 (Drechsler/Whitaker).

2. Station Park Green – Concar & Delaware

Representatives from applicant, Essex Property Trust, with representative of Andrea Schwartz Gallery provided a presentation that included three unique and separate pieces for locations within the Station Park Green development:

- Brad Howe: gateway art piece for corner, large painted & polished metal angular sculpture, on corner of Concar & Delaware.
 - Discussion: The Committee did not approve this piece at this time. Some items they wish to see in an updated proposal include:
 - Any revisions in the shapes, placement, more definitive structure illustration
 - Identification of paint colors, and how they complement the structures behind
 - Committee liked the contrast of the oval shape in seating area to the angular sculpture. They would like to see revisions to the seating wall plan and final colors of any flooring materials in that area.
- Mirosław Struzik: *Dandelions Istanbul*. An electropolished stainless steel sculpture of 3 large dandelions with variable color uplighting, on the corner of Concar and 92 exit to Concar.
 - Discussion: Liked the whimsy, movement, “fireworks” feeling. Some concern about uplighting into any adjacent units, but that was addressed by applicant as having been considered. Comment that mature sycamore tree leaves may be problematic in future.
 - The Committee approved this project 4-0 (Drechsler/Tabler)
- Julian Voss-Andreae: large stainless steel sculpture of human form offering passive kinetic design with changing mass based on viewer angle, this to be in the east end of the interior park.

- Discussion: The Committee did not approve this piece at this time. Some items and details they commented on that should be addressed in an updated proposal include:
 - Would like to know what the actual shape of the sculpture will be; and whether it will be sitting or standing
 - Some concern about viewability depending upon shape and access to sculpture
 - Two concerns about access
 - Height and landscaping around the identified location will hinder direct access to actually see the “disappearance” of the sculpture based on angle
 - “Hidden” in that part of the park if surrounded by trees, which also may impede on the natural light that seems to be part of the viewing experience
 - The concept of being surrounded by Basalt Bowls would distract from the actual piece as they become another form of art
 - Additional concern about the bowls are maintenance
 - Would like to see more defined aesthetics that complement the sculpture, not deter from it

3. Civic Arts Committee Updates

No discussion, written update only.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2017 at 3:30pm.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m. by Chair Gooyer.