

**CITY OF SAN MATEO
CIVIC ARTS COMMITTEE (CAC)
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MAY 13, 2019**

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. in Conference Room C at San Mateo City Hall and was called to order by Chair Tabler.

Roll Call

Those present were Committee Members Stephen Tabler, Dianne Whitaker, Robert Gooyer, Ginger Slonaker (arr. 4:12pm). Staff, Senior Management Analyst Heather Stewart. Ramiro Maldonado, absent. Councilmember Eric Rodriguez did not attend.

Approval of Minutes

- Approval of minutes of September 10, 2018. (Whitaker/Tabler, Gooyer abstain; 2-0-1).
- Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2019 were approved. (Whitaker/Tabler; 3-0)

Public Comment Period

None

New Business

1. 303 Baldwin Avenue (formerly Trag's)

Jonathan Stone from Prometheus presented the preferred concept for this development. Summary description is a 3D relief mural with specially designed & fabricated to reflect some San Mateo history. Key points summary of feedback provided:

- GS: likes the history concept, subtle design & "quietness" of it, using lights & shadows & natural elements lead eye & focus, offers relaxing environment.
- RS: Due to location & muted colors, concern that it won't be noticed organically rather than having to look for it, knowing the composition of the images..."seeing" the design will be helpful to "see the art".
- DW: Like it for several reason; unique proposal, it's integrated into the building & not free-standing. Concern about lighting and maintenance with a light colored tile.
- ST: Loves the idea & difference, but concern about visibility both due to location & lack of color. Is it art or a decorative wall?
- ALL: Concur that everyone generally like the concept, concern for visibility. Ideas about something in the "parklet" space that could 'point' to or bring awareness of the art beyond just entering the building. Artist is international, would prefer local fabrication.
- JON: Really like to include Ohlone history, open to suggestions for other story elements that reflect San Mateo.

Old Business

2. Review of Art in Public Places Ordinance

CAC continued review and comment on possible ordinance change recommendations.

Communications & Announcements

- Gateway art installation tentatively scheduled for late June 2019.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. (Slonaker/Whitaker, 4-0)

Next regular meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2019 at 4:00pm.