

**MINUTES OF THE VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION  
MEETING  
Museum of Visual Materials  
500 N. Main Avenue  
June 17, 2008**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jerry Hauck, Ann Marie Davis, Ceca Cooper, Lary Etten, , Kris Carmody Reaves.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Anita Kealey & Lyle Pudwill (both excused).

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Carmen Toft - Sales & Events Director for the Museum of Visual Materials, Sam Trebilcock – Transportation Planner, Brent O’Neil – Urban Planner, Ben Hodgins - Insight Marketing Design, and Russ Sorenson, Planning Office Staff Liaison.

**ITEM 1. Welcome & Introductions**

Chairperson Chair person, Jerry Hauck, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed the Commissioners and guests.

Carmen Toft - Sales & Events Director for the Museum of Visual Materials, expressed a warm welcome to the Commissioners and was excited to showcase the museum with a tour after the meeting. The Commissioners acknowledged their sincere appreciation to Ms. Toft for her kind hospitality and hosting their meeting.

**ITEM 2. REVIEW & ACTION on the May 20, Meeting Minutes.**

Commissioner Lary Etten requested the meeting minutes reflect his May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting attendance (page 1), and to correct the spelling of the word “event” in Section 5, paragraph 1 (page 3). Commissioner Etten made a motion to approve the May 20, 2008 meeting minutes, with modifications, as presented. Commissioner Ann Marie Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ITEM 3. DISCUSSION on Proposed Art Racks (non-standard bicycle racks) and Placements.**

Subcommittee Presentation: Commissioners Ceca Cooper, Jerry Hauck, Lyle Pudwell and Citizen Darwin Wolf.  
Sam Trebilcock, Transportation Planner

Chairman Jerry Hauck, Subcommittee spokesperson, informed the Commissioners about the Subcommittee’s work on the idea of placing art racks (non-standard bicycle racks) within our downtown area, community businesses and on city property. Mr. Hauck acknowledged the City of Sioux Falls has an adopted bicycle plan. The bicycle plan identifies a need for additional places for bicycles to park and acknowledges that existing racks are functional, but not very attractive. Commissioner Hauck indicated the subcommittee reviewed community information distributed by Sam Trebilcock at last month’s meeting. The information included art racks being placed in other communities (ie: Portland Oregon; Arlington and Charlottesville, Virginia; Louisville, Kentucky; and Berkley, California) and provided community examples of specific calls for art regarding art racks (Memphis, Tennessee; Ottawa, Canada). The Subcommittee presented information on some possible design ideas and general costs associated with the art racks. The Subcommittee members also addressed the following:

- working together with cycling community and various other city entities such as Public Works, Parking Patrol, Police, Parks & Recreation Board, ADA Board, Downtown Sioux

Falls, on the possibility of incorporating such a project into the city's Capital Improvements Plan (CIP).

- implementing art racks into the 2009 Phillips Avenue Reconstruction Project;
- creating art racks that are cost effective, attractive and durable;
- retrofitting some of the existing parking meters with art racks;
- providing design specifications / standards that could be used in the call for art;
- call for art should address two design forms for the art racks - those which are of free-form design on private property and those which are on public property and of an acceptable community design standard;
- obtaining community sponsorships for implementing an art rack placement program.

The Subcommittee acknowledged staff's efforts on a draft call for art, but recommend two calls for art be drafted for this project. One call for art would address free-form design art racks for either private or public property and another call for art would address standard design art racks to be located public property (parking meters).

The Commission then reviewed the initial draft call for art and offered suggestions to improve the call for art relating to specific design and location criteria. The Commission accepted the Subcommittee's recommendation and requested staff to modify the calls for art accordingly.

### **ITEM 3. Future Community Visual Art Commission Tours**

Russ Sorenson mention the next Visual Arts Commission meeting will be held at the Washington Pavilion's Visual Arts Center @ 300 S. Main Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room, on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am.

Commissioners generally expressed their enthusiasm and appreciation about conducting their public meetings at the Museum of Visual Materials and at the Visual Arts Center.

### **ITEM 4. PROJECT UPDATES (Staff &/or Subcommittees)**

- **Visual Art Wall – N Phillips Ave – City Council Meeting April 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Russ Sorenson mentioned the project contract between the artist and the city was being finalized. Russ indicated that he would continue to keep the Commissioners informed about this project.
- **Sioux Falls Convention Center Sculpture Placements**  
Russ Sorenson commented that arrangements for placing the two sculptures, known as "Sonrise" and "Spirits in the Smoke", at the Sioux Falls Convention Center have been made and that the sculptures are to be installed in the near future.
- **Website Updates - Completed**  
Russ Sorenson mentioned that all monthly updates have been completed on the Commission's website.

### **ITEM 5. PUBLIC INPUT**

- **Art Falls – Visual Arts Commission Letter of Support –**  
Russ Sorenson commented that he will work with Commissioner Ann Marie Davis to draft a letter of support from the Commissioners, to the Art Falls Board of Directors, supporting future Art Falls endeavors and events.

There was no further input received from the public.

**ITEM 6. ADJOURNMENT**

The Commissioners again acknowledged their sincere appreciation to Ms. Toft for her kind hospitality and hosting their meeting.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

A very informative tour of the Museum of Visual Materials, including the historical building aspects and building remodeling project endeavors, was then conducted by Ms. Carmen Toft, Sales & Events Director, for the Museum of Visual Materials.

HANDOUTS – March 18, 2008 Meeting

- June 17, 2008 Meeting Agenda
- May 20, 2008 Meeting Minutes
- Handouts for Items 2 & 3.