

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Regular Meeting of the **TRACY ARTS COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

Date/Time: **Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

Location: **Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, Visual Arts 1**
715 Central Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376

Government Code Section 54954.3 states that every public meeting shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Tracy Arts Commission on any item, before or during consideration of the item, however, no action shall be taken on any item not on the agenda.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. *Items from the Audience - In accordance with Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings, adopted by Resolution 2008-140, any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a Tracy Arts Commission member to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting*
4. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting on November 18th, 2014
5. Correspondence
6. New Business
 - A. Discussion of design components and/or civic artworks to be incorporated in the new Tracy Animal Shelter
7. Items from the Commission
8. Items from Staff
9. Items from the Audience
10. Adjournment

POSTED: December 4, 2014

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**TRACY ARTS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2014**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson McClain called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
 - a. Present: Nila Dhugga, Anne Marie Fuller, Marlene Jones, Nicole McClain, Grace Paget, Danette Poole
 - b. Absent: Taranjit Sandhu
 - c. Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Manager – Visual Arts
 - d. Recorded By: Connie Reding, Clerical, Patron Services
3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None
4. **APPROVAL of MINUTES from the REGULAR MEETING on OCTOBER 14, 2014**
 - a. Motion: Commissioner Poole
 - b. Second: Commissioner Fuller
 - c. Abstain:
 - d. Vote: Approved
5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None
6. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. **Continue discussion of Letter of Inquiry to ArtPlace in support of a grant proposal to fund the Tracy Arts and Cultural Festival in 2015 and 2016** – Chairperson McClain announced that the Art Commission’s Letter of Inquiry was completed and submitted prior to the deadline of December 13th. It is anticipated that applicants will be notified of invitations to submit full proposals in February of 2015.
7. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. **Discussion of Tracy Arts Commission participation in the Downtown Tracy Art Walk in the Summer of 2015** – CAM Wilson announced that the City of Tracy will host a new Art Walk event in downtown next summer. It will take place on 2nd Fridays for three months; dates are 6/12/15, 7/10/15 and 8/14/15; times are 6 – 8:30 p.m. The Special Events and Cultural Arts Divisions are the event leaders and have been considering and researching such an event for a few years now, noting that cities of various sizes, such as Lodi, Livermore, and Sacramento, have similar events. The route for the Tracy Art Walk will be from 11th Street going South down Central across 6th Street, also to include 10th Street. Downtown streets will not be closed off for this event. Visual and performing artists will be featured and busking on streets/corners at various intervals will be encouraged/permitted. Since both visual arts and performing arts are to be highlighted, some artists will participate inside various commercial business locations, while others will be participating on the streetscape. It was suggested that the City make use of the Transit Center for art display and/or performers. This event is free to the public, and will be managed by City staff. The City is seeking collaboration with local businesses as well as other interested organizations. The Grand Theatre Center for the

Arts will be feature location and a point of information. The Art Commissioners excitedly discussed this event further and expressed favorable comments, noting their interest to be involved. Suggestions for involvement included: 1) hosting a closing reception for artists in the Loggia at the Grand; 2) assisting in judging a poster contest; 3) getting/wearing customized shirts identifying them as Tracy Arts Commissioners; 4) compensating featured artists in some way for their involvement/work, such as serving them snacks and water during the event. CAM Wilson noted that he plans to meet early next year with the Tracy Art League as well as the Tracy Camera Club to get their input and suggestions for participation this event. Staff will bring recommendations for TAC participation in the Art Walk for review and approval at a future meeting.

8. **ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:** Commissioners each gave brief summaries of their individual activities within the past month.
9. **STAFF:** CAM Wilson made these announcements: a) The restored bronze sculpture of Tracy's Child has been reinstalled at Larsen Park; b) the Arts Education staff are kicking off a new monthly event, *Performance Lounge Night at the Grand*, starting Wednesday, 11/19/14; the Studio Theatre will be transformed into a social nightclub for teens and adults, hosting various performers; no alcohol will be served; cost is \$5 at the door; hours, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m; they are seeking performers for the future and would like to see the visual arts community become more involved with this endeavor; c) a new exhibition, *Art Co-Opted*, starts in the gallery this upcoming Saturday, 11/22/14, with a reception from 12 – 2 p.m.; it features 30+ artists and lenders until 12/20/14; the *Merry Madness Holiday Shopping Event* is scheduled for Saturday, 12/6/14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. CAM Wilson was asked about art for Tracy's new Animal Shelter, which is now under construction. Commissioners requested project update and discussion on the agenda for the meeting of December 9th. Ms. Reding announced that *Little Shop of Horrors* has two final shows this week, Friday evening and Saturday afternoon, 11/21 & 11/22/14.
10. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None
11. **ADJOURNMENT**
 - a. Motion: Commissioner Fuller
 - b. Second: Commissioner Poole
 - c. Vote: Unanimous
 - d. Time: 7:58 p.m.

**CITY OF TRACY
TRACY ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
December 9, 2014**

AGENDA ITEM 6.a.

REQUEST

**REVIEW DISCUSSION OF DESIGN COMPONENTS AND/OR CIVIC ARTWORKS TO
BE INCORPORATED IN THE NEW TRACY ANIMAL SHELTER**

DISCUSSION

The City of Tracy is constructing a new animal shelter at 2375 Paradise Road after several years of development. This modular facility, designed in multiple phases to total approximately 12,000-square-feet, is anticipated to open as early as December. The initial phase of 5,638-square-feet is being completed at a cost of \$5,195,460.

In the summer of 2013, Cultural Arts Division Staff was invited to participate in a series of meetings with key members of the Tracy Animal Shelter Project Team. CAD Staff presented several design and civic art considerations in those meetings.

At the Special Meeting of November 18th, 2014, the Tracy Arts Commission requested Staff to provide an update on the project to facilitate a discussion regarding the design components and/or civic artworks that will be incorporated in the new facility, now and in future phases.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund for this item at this time.

RECOMENDATION

Discuss the design components and/or civic artworks to be incorporated in the new Tracy Animal Shelter

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