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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012
4:00 PM

SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES

DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM
630 GARDEN STREET

Joint Session With:
Airport Commission
Architectural Board of Review
Visual Arts in Public Places Committee

Visual Arts in Public Places
Committee
Judy Nilsen, Chair
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Suzanne Fairly-Green
Phyllis de Picciotto
Jacqueline Dyson
Martha Gray
Mary Heebner
Susan Keller

ORDER OF BUSINESS: The joint session begins at 4:00 pm in the David Gebhard Public Meeting Room at 630 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comments on listed agenda items will be taken during the time each item is considered. Public comments on non-agenda items are taken under a separate agenda heading. The **total** time for public comment is fifteen (15) minutes. If you wish to address the Commissions or Committee, please complete and submit a "Request to Speak" form prior to the agenda item.

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Suzanne Fairly-Green.

ROLL CALL

VAPP Members Present: Suzanne Fairly-Green, Teen Conlon, Phyllis de Picciotto, Jacqueline Dyson, Martha Gray, Robert Adams, Mary Heebner

Airport Commission Present: Scott Tracy, Chris Colbert, William Gilbert, Patricia Griffin, Kirk Martin, Bruce Miller.

ABR Members Present: Paul Zink

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Any member of the public may address the Airport Commission on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is **not** scheduled before them that same day. The total time for public comment is fifteen (15) minutes.

No members of the public requested to speak.

NOTICES

2. That on September 13, 2012 at 3:30pm, the Airport Commission Secretary duly posted this agenda on the bulletin board at Airport Administration.

WORK SESSION

1. SUBJECT: PROPOSED PUBLIC ART "MARINE TRIBUTE" GLASS SCULPTURE AT THE SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT TERMINAL

RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss and coordinate comments from the Visual Arts in Public Places Committee, Airport Commission and the Architectural Board of Review in regards to the proposed Marine Tribute public art work commissioned by the Pierre Claeysens Veterans' Museum and Library for installation at the Santa Barbara Airport Terminal.

"Marine Tribute Sculpture Commission/Committee Comments" chart was distributed. The chart was a summary of VAPP, ABR, and Airport Commission comments made during the concept review by each committee and commission.

The concerns expressed by those present included the location, the number and design of the concrete walkways leading to/from the sculpture, the size and scale of the proposed sculpture, maintenance, ADA accessibility, vandalism, safe passage for the public in and around the sculpture.

The consensus of the members present was that the location, size, and scale are appropriate, the number of concrete walkways should be reduced, the artist should explore ways to design the base of the sculpture to keep people from hitting their head on the glass, ADA accessibility requirements will need to be met, and to remove benches from the design. Airport Commissioner Bill Gilbert voiced his opposition to the project.

Speaking as a member of the public, Historic Landmarks Commission member and VAPP liaison Barry Winick spoke in support of the project. He stated that the context, mass, scale, and location was appropriate. Mr. Winick recommended that the project have less walkways, keep it simple, and the benches should be removed from the design. He said it is a great project.

John Blankenship, representing the Pierre Claeysens Museum and Library, stated that there is very strong Marine support for the project. He said that the Pierre Claeysens' committee tasked working on the project design and fundraising were all retired Marines and most are former military pilots. Mr. Blankenship said that the Pierre Claeysens Museum and Library were funding the entire project and maintenance of the sculpture.

VAPP member Robert Adams reminded everyone that final design and landscaping will still need to be reviewed by VAPP and ABR. Airport Director Karen Ramsdell also stated that Airport Commission and Planning Commission would be involved in the final review as well. The consensus of the members was that the project should move forward as quickly as possible.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:03 PM