



City of Rockwall
The New Horizon

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ART COMMISSION
Council Chamber Conference Room, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087
April 11, 2016
10:00 A.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/WELCOME

A quorum of members was present to call the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M. Present were Commission Chair, David Sweet and commission members: Doug Agee, Betty Jean Hoaglund, Kathleen Morrow and Jane Braddock. Staff member, Bethany Browning, Community Relations Manager, and Assistant City Secretary, Jacky Casey, were also present.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Review and approval of the March 21, 2016 meeting minutes.

Commission members reviewed meeting minutes and a motion was made by Doug Agee to accept the minutes as presented. Betty Jean Hoaglund seconded the motion and it passed unanimously 5-0.

B. Discussion regarding PR project in conjunction with the Celebrate Downtown Rockwall event scheduled for Saturday, April 16th.

Kathleen Morrow is sponsoring a historic downtown inspired, coloring page to be passed out to children at the event on the 16th. Betty Jean and Doug agreed to pass out the pages to downtown businesses.

C. Discussion and possible action regarding downtown mural projects.

Commission members discussed the differences between signs and murals. The City's sign ordinance states that painting signs on exterior walls is prohibited. Signs may only be painted on doors and windows. The City's Art in Public Places ordinance delegates mural approval to Art Commission members. School of Rock is interested in a mural installation on their west wall. Their theme is Texas rock history and significant artists born in Texas, such as Stevie Ray Vaughn and Janice Joplin. At this time a formal application from School of Rock has not been submitted to the commission for their review. School of Rock has stated they would be interested in learning more about a public funded project, incorporating their wall into a grander scheme mural project.

Commission members also discussed the south wall of the Pruitt Law Firm and agreed to move forward with pursuing this project. Doug Agee made a motion for Chairman David Sweet and staff liaison Bethany Browning to move forward with investigating both the Pruitt Law Firm and Mike Swiercinsky's property across the street as possible mural projects. Jane Braddock seconded the motion. All commissioners were in favor, motion passed unanimously 5-0.

D. Updates and possible action related to potential Art in Public Places projects.

Commissions agreed that the murals would be first priority and to explore those options further. There were no other updates regarding downtown specific projects. Chairman Sweet and staff liaison Bethany Browning to get clearer direction on bond project money related to road projects throughout the city.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:49 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ART COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS,
this 9th day of May 2016.



David Sweet
Art Commission Chairman

ATTEST:

B. Browning, CR Mgr.
Name Title