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**MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of the Public Art Committee**  
**Wednesday, March 28, 2007 – 4:30 p.m.**  
**Board Room**

**ROLL CALL**

The Port of Oakland's Public Art Committee (PAC) meeting was called to order at 4:37 p.m. on January 24, 2007. In attendance were Acting Chair and 1st Vice-President Ayers-Johnson, Deborah Ale-Flint, Joyce Washington, Steve Huss, Ray King, Director of Public Affairs Schaaf and appropriate staff.

**OPEN SESSION**

**1. Report from the Chair**

An update was provided on the status of filling 3 vacancies for art professionals on the Public Art Committee. Members were encouraged to submit names for the Executive Director's consideration. Also, Helene Fried Associates with Zukor Art Conservation were introduced as the new Public Art Coordination Support Team.

## **2. Discussion of proposal from “Pro Arts” for a 3 month exhibit in the Board Room, Lobby and Airport spaces for \$7,400 - \$11,000**

Oakland arts non-profit organization Pro Arts presented a proposal to provide two exhibitions at 530 Water Street and at the Oakland International Airport. The Airport exhibit would promote East Bay Open Studios -- the largest annual art event in the East Bay – by showcasing work by 2 participating artists. The 530 Water Street would be a solo exhibit of a local artist covering the exhibit spaces in both the Lobby and Board Room. The Committee approved the proposal unanimously and directed staff to choose from the artists presented.

## **3. World Music & Jazz Festival**

The Committee received an update on the 2007 World Music & Jazz Festival from organizers Khalil Shaheed and Kappi Bowen, to take place on July 28, 2007 at Middle Harbor Shoreline Park. The Committee also recommended allocating \$25,000 towards the planning and production of a 2008 World Music and Jazz Festival.

**4. Report from Steve Huss on the status of the Bayenalle Event 2006/7**

Steve Huss reported to the PAC on the status of the upcoming Bayenalle Event, which is scheduled to take place this fall, following the Art & Soul Festival. The Committee recommended funding his \$8,000 request for Bayenalle organizers 21 Grand to provide outreach and planning for the event.

**5. Recommendation to adopt the FY 2007 – 2008 Public Art Plan and Budget.**

Libby Schaaf presented the FY 2007 – 2008 Public Art Plan and Operational Budget for the Committee's approval. The budget was recommended unanimously by the Committee and will be submitted for approval by the Port Board of Commissioners through the FY2008 budget process.

**6. Sunset date for the Shipping Container Art Program.**

Staff recommended setting a June 30, 2007 sunset date for the temporary Shipping Container Art Program, due to monthly rental fees and age of program. The Committee unanimously approved the recommendation.

**7. Informational report on the status of three media artworks for the large-scale media wall located in the baggage claim of Oakland International Airport and the Airport Art Exhibition.**

Cherie Newell of the Oakland Museum presented an update on public art projects and the rotational exhibit program at the Oakland International Airport.

**OPEN FORUM**

There was one speaker during open forum.

**CLOSED SESSION**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ayers-Johnson convened closed session at 6:21 p.m. The PAC reconvened in Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Public Art Committee will be May 23, 2007 at 4:30 p.m.