

**Monroe County Art in Public Places Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday – August 20, 2012 – 4:00 p.m.
Gato Building, 1100 Simonton Street, Key West – 1st floor conference room**

Chair, Donna Bosold, called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm.

In attendance were Committee members: Donna Bosold, Nance Frank, Beth Kaminstein and Jeffrey Harwell.
Staff: Liz Young, Jodell Roberts

Approval of Minutes of June 11, 2012

Motion: Nance moved to approve the June 11, 2012 minutes; seconded by Jeff. The motion was passed unanimously.

Upcoming Projects – Status

KW Airport – 2nd phase – Budget funds are approximately \$3,000 (exact amount to be provided by County). A draft of the RFP for art to be located over the counter ticket sales area was distributed by Liz to the committee. The committee commented on the RFP and suggested including an updated drawing of the ticket counter and statements that: the building is open to the public, no paint application to walls is permitted, art must be in ready to hang condition only and installed in one day during after hours, and no electrical type of art is permitted (to avoid any safety issues from location near air conditioning vents). The committee discussed the point values of selection criteria and reassigned point values as follows: Exceptional Quality (25 points), Enduring Value and Maintenance (30 points), Appropriateness to Site (25 points), Character and Environment of the Florida Keys (10 points), Artists that reside in the Florida Keys (10 points). In addition, "Appropriateness to Site" is changed to "Site Compatible." The foregoing changes will be incorporated into this and future RFPs.

Conch Key Fire Station – Bill Horn, Architect. Budget \$ 15,797.15 – Construction has resumed from a hiatus to redesign the building to accommodate higher ambulances. The building is expected to be completed in 4 to 6 months. In early August there were many trees on the site and the building was seen to have a second floor and the beginnings of a roof. A draft of the RFP is in process for exterior art work. In connection with the RFP for the Fire Station, 2 non-voting members of the AIPP committee will need to be appointed by the County Administrator. To help identify candidates for the County Attorney, Donna offered to suggest some potential names for staff to look into.

Stock Island Fire Station – Bill Horn, Architect. The AIPP budget will available in October. A construction bid was sent out August 17th.

Marathon Court House – Construction has resumed after mold was found in the building. The budget is \$8,186.32. The RFP will be completed as recommended by County Engineering now that work has resumed. Liz showed the committee plans (dated October 2011) for the Court House site. The Architect is Anthony Sarno. Areas A and C shown on the site plan will not contain art. Area B can contain 2 pieces and area D a single piece. The RFP will be for Area B or Area D or for site appropriate art. Any electrical needs that artwork would require should be determined early for the benefit of engineering. In order to properly identify the site, the RFP application would best include the architect's description, the site plan and a link to Google Earth of the site.

Freeman Justice Center – Lobby renovations are being planned and have been budgeted. Engineering will advise the AIPP committee when bids are in. There is a good chance that renovations will exceed \$100,000 and will qualify for 1% of the cost of renovations to be allocated for art. Drug Court renovations and expansion are being paid by the 16th Judicial Court and therefore will not be part of a 1% allocation. At this point, it is estimated that the County will spend approximately \$230,000 for its renovations to extend the front lobby and metal detectors to the left. It was suggested that the Art Council contact the Federal agency responsible for the Drug Court renovations to ask if they would like to have public art.

Requests for renewals of qualified "expired" artists were sent August 6 to approximately 12 artists.

The following projects have been placed **on hold** by the BOCC as of March 18, 2009:

Old Tavernier School and Jefferson Brown Bldg.

Marathon Emergency Operations Center – Design phase (no funds available)

Other business – Donna discussed WPA art at Yellowstone National Park. The next AIPP meeting will be on October 1 at 4:00 p.m. at the Gato Building in Key West.

Adjourn

MOTION: Nance motioned to adjourn the meeting; Jeff seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Jodell Roberts, Business Manager