

**CITY OF UNION CITY
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC ART BOARD MEETING OF
JULY 15, 2008 AT 5:00 P.M.
IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM OF CITY HALL
34009 ALVARADO-NILES ROAD
UNION CITY, CALIFORNIA**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Board Members: Chairperson Enrique Romero, David Epps, Dee Bueno, Diane La Mountaine

ABSENT: William Boylan

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Leonard (Economic and Community Development Director), Joan Malloy (Planning Manager), Carmela Campbell (Senior Planner), Avalon Schultz (Associate Planner)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of June 17, 2008 were unanimously approved with two corrections: Page 1, correct Chairperson to Enrique Romero; page 2 change the word "arboritos" to "abuelitos".

III. BUSINESS MATTERS:

A. Public art for the martial arts studio on Alvarado Boulevard

The primary question discussed was whether the clock would satisfy the public art requirements for the site. David Epps observed the site was quite small and that it would be difficult to find a ground location for effective public art. Diane La Mountaine and Enrique Romero both noted that the project was approved before the current board was formed and the early review procedures were established. Dee Bueno noted that the clock is not art unless it is grand. The Board discussed with the project applicant, Jimmy Dones, additional highlights to the clock to make it stand out. It was decided that a black metal/ brushed aluminum trim ring be placed around the clock dial using 2" spacers off the wall surface to give it depth. In addition, the face of the clock dial should be repainted to lighten it up. On a motion by Ms. La Mountaine and a second by Mr. Epps, the clock was unanimously approved as amended.

B. Status of public art for the Sports Center.

Since the information was not yet available, the discussion was held to the next meeting.

C. Upcoming cultural and arts events

Ms. Mountaine noted that tomorrow the show, Lost Children, will be hung at Paddys Coffeehouse. The reception will be held on July 19th. Naomi Banks will also have a show later in the summer at Paddys. The 5th annual Fall Festival will be held on September 28 this year. Finally, it was noted that Jamie Chew will be playing in Pajama Game at Foothill College on July 25.

D. Set date of next meeting

The Board set the next meeting date for July 29 at 5 pm. The following items will be placed on the agenda: status of public art at the Sports Center, upcoming cultural and art events in the area; public art for Elite Bakery, etc.

IV. GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Board expressed their appreciation to staff for their work to support the Board. They also asked for an update on the Sky Venture/ I-Fly public art.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting at 5:43 pm.