VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes Algonquin Village Hall Board Room August 30, 2007 8:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 1:

Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

Present:

Chairperson Steve Kaniewski; Commissioners, Jeanine

Soldner, Kenneth Webster, Regina Andrews, Lynn Carlson,

and Karen Werle.

Absent:

Ellen Rodman.

Staff Members Present:

Jeff Mihelich, Assistant Village Manager and Ben Mason,

Planner.

AGENDA ITEM 2:

Approval of June 21, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Kaniewski entertained a motion to approve the June 21, 2007 minutes. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was seconded and a voice vote noted all ayes. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 3:

Year 2007 Public Art Display Plan

Mr. Ben Mason, Planner presented the draft Year 2007 Artwork Display Plan prepared by staff. He reviewed the 17 indoor and outdoor display locations and described the artist outreach methods staff had implemented to solicit artwork submittals. Mr. Mason mentioned that the outreach efforts resulted in 91 artworks being submitted for display consideration. He noted two-thirds of the applicants' submitted pieces for consideration for the first time this year. Mr. Mason outlined the artwork selection criteria that the Commission had devised in 2005 and explained that staff used the criteria to compile its list of recommended pieces for display. He stated that staff is recommending 37 pieces for display at specific locations. Mr. Mason explained that one of the recommended artworks is currently on display as part of last year's program and would be carried over for an additional year. He provided a description of each of the recommended artworks and referred to the display location that staff envisioned for each piece. Mr. Mason concluded the presentation by stating that staff recommends approval of the display plan as submitted and indicated that staff would be happy to answer any questions.

Commission members discussed staff's recommended display plan and came to a general consensus on the following changes to the plan:

- Add artwork #2007-05 to Jacobs High School
- Add artwork #2007-24 to Public Works
- Add artwork #2007-40 to Village Hall Police Department
- Add artwork #2007-44 to Village Hall
- Add artwork #2007-51 to Westfield Community School
- Add artwork #2007-62 to Jacobs High School
- Add artwork #2007-75 to Public Works
- Add artwork #2007-84 to Cornish Park
- Remove artworks #2007-3, #2007-28, and #2007-35 from staff's initial recommendation
- Move artwork #2007-42 from Algonquin Commons to Eastgate Manor
- Move artwork #2007-91 from Eastgate Manor to Algonquin Commons

Staff indicated it will make the above changes to the Year 2007 Artwork Display Plan and will present the updated plan to the Village's Committee of the Whole on September 11th for final approval.

Chairperson Kaniewski recommended that additional public art pieces be displayed in Algonquin's downtown area in the future. Mr. Jeff Mihelich, Assistant Village Manager, indicated that the village is formulating a comprehensive downtown streetscape plan and staff is working with consultants to identify suitable locations for the display of outdoor artwork.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Other Business

Mr. Mason stated that he will email the Commission members to let them know the date of the 3rd annual public art open house reception as soon as it is scheduled. Mr. Mihelich encouraged Commission members to contact village staff with the names of any artists that might be interested in performing a demonstration at the open house event.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Adjournment

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A motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded and a voice vote noted all ayes. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Benjamin A. Mason, Planner