

Minutes

Art Collection and Advisory Committee

MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2008

CITY OF JOONDALUP

MINUTES OF THE ART COLLECTION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 3, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2008

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members:

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| Cr Kerry Hollywood | <i>Presiding Person</i> |
| Cr Brian Corr | <i>Deputy Presiding Person</i> |
| Mayor Troy Pickard | |
| Cr Geoff Amphlett | <i>from 1750 hrs</i> |
| Mr Garry Hunt, Chief Executive Officer | |

Officers:

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| Mr Gavin Taylor | Manager, Leisure and Cultural Services |
| Mrs Katrina Bercov | Co-ordinator, Cultural Services |
| Ms Kate Parker | Visual Arts Officer |
| Mr Rob Cleworth | City's Curator |
| Mrs Lesley Taylor | Administrative Secretary |

Observers:

Cr Tom McLean
Cr Albert Jacob, JP

There were no members of the Public in attendance.

DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Chief Executive Officer declared the meeting open at 1735 hrs.

ELECTION OF PRESIDING PERSON

Section 5.12 of the Local Government Act 1995 requires a committee appointed by a local government, to appoint a presiding person as the first item of business at its first meeting. Schedule 2.3 of the Act requires the Chief Executive Officer to preside. Nominations for the position of presiding person are to be given to the Chief Executive Officer in writing, with the vote to be conducted by ballot.

Mayor Troy Pickard nominated Cr Kerry Hollywood for the position of Presiding Person. Cr Hollywood accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Cr Hollywood was elected unopposed to the position of Presiding Person and assumed the Chair at 1740 hrs.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY PRESIDING PERSON

It is advisable that the committee appoints a deputy presiding person, who would chair the meeting in the absence of the Presiding Person.

Mayor Troy Pickard nominated Cr Brian Corr for the position of Deputy Presiding Person. Cr Corr accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Cr Corr was elected unopposed to the position of Deputy Presiding Person.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil.

PUBLIC STATEMENT TIME

Nil.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**Leave of Absence previously approved**

Cr Russ Fishwick 1 September – 19 October 2008 inclusive

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

IDENTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY SIT BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

The Chief Executive Officer advised that Item 1 – Recommended Acquisitions from 2008 City of Joondalup Invitation Art Award will be considered Behind Closed Doors.

PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

MOTION TO GO BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

MOVED Mayor Pickard, SECONDED Mr Hunt that:

- 1** in accordance with Clause 67 of the City's Standing Orders Local Law 2005, Section 5.23 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulations 4A of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, this meeting of the Art Collection and Advisory Committee be held behind closed doors to discuss Item 1 – Recommended Acquisitions from the 2008 Invitation Art Award, being a matter where the City of Joondalup will determine the price for possible purchase of property;
- 2** the following employees be permitted to remain in the room while the meeting is sitting behind closed doors as detailed in (1) above:
 - **Manager Leisure and Cultural Services;**
 - **Coordinator Cultural Services;**
 - **Visual Arts Officer;**
 - **City's Curator;**
 - **Administrative Secretary.**

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (4/0)

In favour of the Motion: Cr Hollywood, Mayor Pickard, Cr Corr, and Mr Hunt

REPORTS

ITEM 1 **RECOMMENDED ACQUISITIONS FROM THE
2008 INVITATION ART AWARD - [35613]
[77611]**

WARD: All

RESPONSIBLE Mr Clayton Higham
DIRECTOR: Planning and Community Development

PURPOSE

To recommend artwork to be purchased from the 2008 City of Joondalup Invitation Art Award.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends the acquisition of artworks from the 2008 Invitation Art Award, for the City's growing Art Collection.

In recommending appropriate acquisitions, Officers reviewed artworks in relation to

- The link of each work to the City's existing art collection;
- Long term investment potential;
- Artists' professional standing;
- Price, in relation to the City's overall budget of \$10,000;

Due to the official announcement of winners for the Invitation Art Award not being made until Wednesday 15 October the exact details of the artwork's name and artist are included in the attached confidential report. It is recommended that the Art Collection Advisory Committee approve the purchase of three works from the 2008 Invitation Art Award at a total price of \$8160.

BACKGROUND

The City of Joondalup Invitation Art Award is an annual exhibition which brings together a diverse selection of Western Australia's leading artists and is entering its 11th year in 2008. An acquisitive prize of \$10,000, one of the largest cash prizes in the State, is awarded by an independent panel of art industry experts with the winning artwork entering the City's Collection. Each year the City also allocates an Annual Acquisition Budget of \$10,000 for the purchase of additional artworks for inclusion in its Art Collection.

Through showcasing artwork by leading Western Australian contemporary artists here in the locality of Joondalup, the Art Award provides the City with an excellent opportunity to view and assess artworks of high artistic, cultural and investment value for possible acquisition for the City's Art Collection.

Due to the past acquisition of well selected works with high investment value, the City's collection is currently valued at approximately \$350,000.

The Art Collection Advisory Committee has delegated authority from the Council to acquire artworks within the available adopted budget funds.

DETAILS

Issues and options considered:

Option 1

Do not purchase any works in addition to the winning work.

This option is not recommended because the City would miss the opportunity to enhance and increase the value of its growing art collection, through its own high profile art award.

Option 2

Purchase artworks from the Invitation Art Award.

An outline of the artworks recommended for acquisition has been detailed below highlighting:

- The link of each work to the City's existing art collection;
- Long term investment potential;
- Artists' professional standing;
- Price, in relation to the City's overall budget of \$10,000;
- Officers' rationale for purchase.

Link to Strategic Plan:

Development of the City's Art Collection relates to:

Objective 5.3: *To facilitate culture, the arts and knowledge within the community.*

Legislation – Statutory Provisions:

Not Applicable.

Risk Management considerations:

Not Applicable.

Financial/Budget Implications:

| | | Budget | Actual Expenditure | Balance |
|-----------------|--|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Option 1 | No purchase | \$10,000 | \$0 | \$10,000 |
| Option 2 | Purchase Items Listed as A, B and C from the Invitation Art Award. | \$10,000 | \$8,160 | \$1,840 |

If the proposed acquisitions are purchased, the total cost would be \$8,160. Funds remaining in the Budget would total \$1,840 which would be available for acquisition purchases from the Community Art Exhibition in June 2009.

Policy Implications:

Policy 5-3 "The City's Art and Memorabilia Collections" determines that the City will support Western Australian art and artists through an art acquisition program. The policy also states that the City will adopt a multi-criteria approach to its art collection, acquisitions and awards. This approach will ensure that the collection, acquisitions and awards include contemporary art and art demonstrating local content and context.

By acquiring works from the 2008 Invitation Art Award the City will be adhering to Policy 5-3 in its support of Western Australian artists and the acquisition of contemporary art.

Regional Significance:

Acquisition of the proposed artworks will represent an important addition to the City's Art Collection, reinforcing the City's objectives to:

- support contemporary Western Australian art and artists; and
- provide Joondalup citizens with access to high quality, contemporary visual art.

Sustainability Implications:

Not Applicable.

Consultation:

Not Applicable.

COMMENT

The recommended works are within budget, represent a strong investment for the City, which is likely to appreciate in value and are seen as artworks that will complement the existing Collection.

All the works recommended also suit practical considerations such as having the capacity to be displayed in a Council building or other appropriate space, without hindrance to public access or safety. The City has the necessary resources allocated to resolve all foreseeable issues related to conservation, presentation and storage, as part of the acquisition.

Although the proposed total purchase price of \$8,160 is a large percentage of the total annual acquisition budget, it is considered appropriate, as the Invitation Art Award is the City's premier visual arts event and only professional exhibition.

Those artworks recommended to be acquired are required to remain confidential as to release this information would highlight to the artists that they were unsuccessful in the 2008 Invitation Art Award.

It is noted that due to the lower prices of works in the Community Art Exhibition, even with a budget of \$1,840, it is likely that the City will be able to purchase two or three works, balancing the number of acquisitions for each exhibition.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: That the Art Collection and Advisory Committee AGREES to the following acquisitions of artwork as detailed in Confidential Report – recommended acquisitions from the 2008 Invitation Art Awards at a total cost of \$8,160:

- Item A
- Item B
- Item C

Cr Amphlett entered the Room at 1750 hrs.

A confidential report was provided to Committee members separately – Appendix 1 refers.

The Manager, Leisure and Cultural Services provided a Powerpoint presentation and overview in relation to the artworks being considered for acquisition by the City – Appendix 2 refers.

Discussion ensued in relation to each individual artwork, the background of the artist and the appropriateness of the piece being acquired to add to the City's existing art collection.

MOVED Mayor Pickard that this meeting be ADJOURNED and reconvened at 5.00 pm on Wednesday, 15 October 2008 at the Great Space, Lakeside Joondalup Shopping City.

There being NO SECONDER, the Motion

LAPSED

MOVED Cr Amphlett, SECONDED Mr Hunt that the Art Collection and Advisory Committee AGREES to:

- 1 the following acquisitions of artwork as detailed in Confidential Report – Recommended Acquisitions from the 2008 Invitation Art Awards:

Item A
Item B
Item C

- 2 the purchase of a fourth piece of artwork titled “Stand by Me”;

at a total cost of \$8,460.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (5/0)

In favour of the Motion: Cr Hollywood, Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett and Corr, and Mr Hunt

MOTION TO GO TO OPEN DOORS

It was resolved that the meeting be now held with open doors, the time being 1810 hrs.

MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

REQUESTS FOR REPORTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

The Chief Executive Officer was requested to provide a report in relation to the opportunity for a photographic competition, with the criteria to specifically address people, places, culture and the environment within the City of Joondalup.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Person declared the Meeting closed at 1814 hrs; the following Members being present at that time:

Cr Kerry Hollywood
Cr Brian Corr
Mayor Troy Pickard
Cr Geoff Amphlett
Mr Garry Hunt, Chief Executive Officer