Public Art Committee -- Minutes 09/22/11

Present: committee members Sandy Bonney, Pete Chasar, Lea Ray; staff member Dianne Morris; visitors, Hedda Markham.

Minutes from 6/16/ll were not available and will be distributed with these notes.

Funds Balance:

D. Morris indicated that with Rogers painting invoice discounted by \$75, committee's Hillside funds balance was \$25, which will increase to \$225 with Stan Morris's donation of \$200 for mural mock-up, yet to be signed by Destiny Schwartz. These funds to be used for purchase of additional plants.

Discussion Items:

1 - P. Chasar indicated that possible ornamental grass for mural base was Japanese Forest Grass and that other species were being researched. H. Markham suggested that more topsoil was needed prior to any plantings beneath mural. Purchase and logistics were then discussed.

2 - Committee then discussed the possible addition of a picnic table (or tables), preferably a design that is artistic and distinctive. When committee approves Request for Proposal (RFP) guidelines for art installations, Chasar will draft press release announcing picnic table RFP.

3 - Other temporary art projects were also briefly discussed, including the need for an attachment mechanism to secure art.

4 - P. Chasar suggested that a gabion be installed over the old driveway to use as parking area. Committee agreed that use of type of stone used for neighbor's dry-stack wall be utilized if possible. D. Morris later indicated contractor of wall was Dewey Brady.

5. Committee agreed that sand between concrete pavers was not adequate, and D. Morris offered to research other options.

Other:

D. Morris suggested a thank-you letter to Parks/Public Works staff for their extra efforts at Hillside, particularly grass-area work. She will draft letter.

H. Markham and P. Chasar to check and possibly harvest plants form Cape Ferrelo property.

P. Chasar to distribute latest RFP draft.

Next meeting -- noon, Wednesday, Oct. 12 (not Thursday).

Adjourn

-- Pete Chasar