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Museums & Cultural Affairs The City of El Paso Public Art Committee (PAC) Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 3:30 PM Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

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- 1. Call to Order. Meeting called to order at 3:32pm.
- 2. Roll Call.

Members Present: Sarelah Aguilar, Cathy Chen, Laura Jaquez, Floyd Johnson, Edgar Lopez, Adam Marshall, Josue Munoz, Ivan Nino and Daniel Szwaczkowski

Members Absent: Jesus Carrillo and Alejandro Mireles

Others Present: Ben Fyffe, Miriam Garcia, Adrian Guzman, and Diana Cepeda

- 3. Public Comment. None.
- **4. Approval of Minutes.** Adam Marshall requested a motion to approve the April 13, 2021 minutes. Cathy Chen seconded. All members voted in favor, none opposed, motion passed unanimously.
- **5. Approval of Revised Minutes.** Ivan Nino requested a motion to approve the March 9, 2021 minutes. Sarelah Aguilar seconded. All members voted in favor, none opposed, motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Update on requested information of names list selection for Men of Company E Memorial at MACC Project. Miriam Garcia explained that as per Committee request the artist, Julio Sanchez de Alba, has revised and updated the list to include 174 names, Mr. Sanchez de Alba, Jason E. Albright, Jaime Barceleau, and Timothy J. Turnipseed joined the meeting. Mr. Barceleau addressed the Committee to explain the purpose of the monument which is to recognize, honor and memorialize the actions of the Mexican American soldiers who were part of the initial combat force to land in mainland Europe during World War II. He said out of the 174 names that were submitted about 40% are from El Paso, predominately from the Segundo Barrio and those men were assigned to Company E in the Texas National Guard, Mr. Barceleau talked about the importance to commemorate a storied battle and to educate people about the contributions of local war heroes of a distinguished combat unit. Lieutenant Coronel Jason E. Albright introduced himself as an active duty, assigned to UTEP as a professor for Military Science and the Chair of the Military Science Department. He explained that he worked with Mr. Turnipseed, Mr. Barceleau and their fellow Military Science students to create a criteria to select the names. The names had to be from Company E soldiers, deployed to the combat zone and emphasis on soldiers from El Paso. He provided a list of references used as part of their research. The roster of the Men of Company E Memorial was displayed on the screen. Mr. Sanchez de Alba mentioned each name will have a bronze plaque to recognize every solider. Lieutenant Coronel Albright explained the role of their students during the research.
- 7. Discussion and Action on final design for Pavo Real Recreation Center Improvements Projects. Ms. Garcia asked for this item to be pushed to next month's meeting due to the Artist needing to gather more information for his presentation. Josue Munoz requested a motion to postpone this item to the next meeting. Laura Jacquez seconded. All members voted in favor, none opposed, motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Adjournment. Cathy Chen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:58pm. Adam Marshall seconded. Next meeting scheduled for June 8, 2021.

Approved for content by: Miriam Garcia, Public Art Program Supervisor

Respectfully submitted by: Diana Cepeda, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator