MEETING of January 22, 2014

APPROVED MINUTES

Conference Room 275
Marin County Civic Center

Members Present: Annette Rose, Chair; Sandra Fawn; Maureen Parton for Supervisor Kathrin Sears; Catherine Munson; Mark Schatz; Suki Sennett

Others: Jeff Wong, Janis West, County Administrator’s Office (CAO); Pat Echols, David Vaughan, Department of Public Works (DPW)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Annette Rose, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 2, 2013 SPECIAL MEETING: Suki Sennett made the motion and Sandra Fawn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. SOUTH ARCH ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPDATE: Pat Echols provided an update to the Civic Center south arch improvements, noting construction is nearly done. Next week it will be open to traffic and landscaping is projected to be complete by the end of February. They are preparing to conduct a pilot of the “green wall” (trellis grid with pockets of flora). Review in approximately three to six months; they will create something different if necessary. Parks is concerned about the dry, dark setting. Mark Schatz reiterated the Conservancy support for the green wall, noting it is a critically important design element that needs to be built.

4. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUDIO-VISUAL UPGRADES PROJECT AND SPEAKER GRILL DISCUSSION: Jeff Wong said the discussion regarding the speaker grill was no longer necessary, as the contractors located an adapter for the current speakers. Work is currently being done on the infrastructure, such as wiring and switches, and is nearly finished. The projected completion of the chambers is the end of February.

5. POTENTIAL FUNDRAISING EVENT – SCREENING OF GATTACA: Sandra Fawn met with the Marin Film Institute representative regarding a fundraising possibility of offering a special screening of the 1997 film Gattaca at the Rafael theatre. The proceeds would go toward purchasing a replacement globe for the Civic Center branch of the post office. The Library’s California Room has the license for the film. Discussion:
   - Must be digital
   - Tentative date for Sunday June 8
   - Possibly include a reception
   - Rafael will provide events flier
• Charge admission for the event/reception
• Perhaps include director Andrew Nichols via Skype
• County Administrator’s office has been in touch with post office officials
• Concern of vandalism can be reduced since the fire station is next door

6. DISTRIBUTION OF SPECIAL EDITION OF THE FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT QUARTERLY, FALL 2013 - VOL. 24, NO. 4: Each Conservancy member was offered a copy of the magazine featuring Marin County Civic Center and its 50th Anniversary. Some of the photos included were taken by Sandra Fawn and Jeff Wong.

7. MEMBER ITEMS FOR UPDATES AND FUTURE AGENDAS:
• Mark Schatz requested the Conservancy review the final plan for Library signage. Mr. Echols said he will provide an update at the next meeting.
• Suki Sennett requested the Conservancy be provided with an updated Capital Improvements Projects overview and status. Mr. Echols said there is a list of Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) that can be made available. He also said Seasons Productions produced a video of the Civic Center Drive and SMART station, which is posted on the County’s web site. (DPW posted the Power Point presentation of the simulation)
• Mark Schatz requested an update on the Civic Center Drive project as it relates to parking. Mr. Echols confirmed there is discussion and collaboration around parking options.

8. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

9. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.