Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture Minutes January 11, 2007

Commissioners Present: Doug Clary Lora Quesenberry

Karen Kiefer Robert Oppenborn Jeanine Howe Katherine Rhein

Joan Meyers

Commissioners Absent: Gunilla Bishop, Vera Mulder

Others present: Don Meyers (Mesa State College Emeritus Professor of Art)

A special meeting of the Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture was held on the above date for the purpose of reviewing photographs of the completed sculpture of George Crawford prior to the artist delivering the sculpture to the foundry in Paonia, Colorado to be cast in bronze. Chair Joan Meyers called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

As stated in the contract to commission artist Mark Wahlberg's sculpture of City founder George Crawford, the artist's finished statue must be approved by the Commission prior to casting. Wahlberg send several batches of digital and printed photographs of the piece from all angles and distances, which Commission members and artist Don Meyers passed around and discussed at length. The consensus of the Commission was that the sculpture is excellently done and quite satisfactory, and that it closely resembles the photograph and description of Crawford provided by the Museum of Western Colorado. A motion was made by Karen Kiefer, seconded by Jeanine Howe, to accept and approve the completed sculpture and authorize the artist to deliver the sculpture to the foundry for casting. The motion carried unanimously.

As there was no further business to come before the Commission, the chair declared the meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Cowan Sarmo Cultural Arts Coordinator