

Board Appointment Art Design Board – Marion Iwasaki and Tony Yamada,

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Anderson is recommending Marion Iwasaki, a resident of District 5, and Tony Yamada, a resident of District 4, to be appointed to the Art Design Board. If appointed, Ms. Iwasaki and Mr. Yamada will both serve a term extending through March 8, 2010. Ms. Iwasaki will replace Ann Palmer Peterson and Mr. Yamada will replace Bruce Miya both whose terms have expired.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Marian Iwasaki is retired and she is an Art Advocate. Ms. Iwasaki has been a member of The Utah Women's Forum, U of U Alumni Board, Ballet West Board and numerous other boards. She believes a City's approach to public art projects is vital for the City's quality of life.

Tony Yamada has worked for many companies including WestSphere Capital, NY, Leftbid.com NY, EMC (Equity Management Consultants, Inc.) NY and is currently employed at GSBS Architects', Salt Lake City. He feels that everyone needs a little art in their lives and feels this board would help achieve this.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Chris know by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 26, 2007.

CURRENT COMPOSITION OF ART DESIGN BOARD:

The ordinance creating the five-member Art Design Board has specific requirements for board members. In part, the ordinance states that, "... two members shall be professional artists or arts administrators or art teachers involved in the administration or teaching of art at a recognized institution in the city. One member shall be an architect. One member shall represent the council for the arts. The remaining members shall be citizens who are actively interested in the visual arts and civic improvement from the city area."

Members of the Art Design Board serve three-year terms. There is no City residency requirement for this board; however, all board members are City residents. Current members Maralee Oleson, District 1; Brian Snapp, District 5, and Darl Thomas, District 6.

ART DESIGN BOARD STRUCTURE:

A portion of the City's appropriations for capital expenditures is set aside for acquisition of works of art and ornamentation to be used in and around public facilities. The mission of the Art Design Board is to select and oversee works of art to adorn designated City construction projects. The Art Design Board also makes operating expenditures (subject to prior approval by the Mayor) and recommends that the City contract with individuals, businesses, agencies, organizations or other groups to render services relating to the board's purposes.