



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes Cultural Commission

08/02/2021

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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The meeting set-up is in line with the recommendations of the COVID-19 White House Task Force, which notes no more than ten (10) people gathering. The Chair will be present for the meeting with the staff liaison and commissioners participating remotely.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Samara at 7:03 P.M.

Present 6 - Commissioner Louis Samara, Chair Debra von Huene, Vice Chair Candida Diaz, Commissioner Jonathan Marinaro, Commissioner Paul McNamara, and Commissioner Jennifer Vega

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [21-894](#) Cultural Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2021

Recommendation: Approve the Cultural Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Vice Chair Marinaro that this item be approved. The motion passed with the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, and Sulcer

Abstained: 2 - Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Community member, Gloria Cox shared details of the Art Campaign and provided an overview of the National Fitness Campaign.

Community members, Janet Stevenson and Louis shared information about the Old Quad. They wanted to have a walking tour and decorate for the holidays. They discussed mapping the entries.

[21-1263](#)

Public Presentation Post Meeting Material

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [21-895](#) Final Report for Cultural Commission Work Plan FY 2020/21

Recommendation: Provide final status reports on the Cultural Commission work plan goals and activities for FY 2020/21.

Commissioners reported the following update for the Work Plan FY 2020/21:

Sculpture Exhibit is complete. Surviving Covid finalists will be posted on website. \$2,500 is allotted for this program. Utility Box update-6 artists have been selected. One artist started painting. Coloring Book is complete and on website.

3. [21-985](#) Discussion and Development of Cultural Commission Work Plan Goals and Activities for FY 2021/22

Recommendation: Develop and recommend Cultural Commission work plan goals and activities for FY 2021/22.

The Commissioners discussed the goals and activities associated with the goals and which commissioners would serve on each committee. Commissioners voted on the goals. Total budget-\$17,000. No commission meeting in September.

Goal # 1-the Commission discussed community building small outdoor events in districts. Possible locations include farmers market, library or Triton Museum.

All items were updated on the Work Plan for 2021/22.

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene, seconded by Vice Chair Marinaro to approve Goal # 1 as amended to include: consider hosting free outdoor events in different districts and summer concerts in 2022.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

A motion was made by Vice Chair Marinaro, seconded by Commissioner von Huene, to approve Goal #2 and the objectives associated with the goal.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene, seconded by Commissioner McNamara, to make the Citywide Art Master Plan a separate new Goal #5.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Vice Chair Marinaro, to approve Goal #2 and all objectives associated with the goal, with the removal of Citywide Art Master Plan from Goal #2 and move to a separate Goal #5.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene, seconded by Commissioner Vega, to approve Goal #3 and all the objectives associated with the goal.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, to approve Goal #4 and all the objectives associated with the goal.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

4. [21-893](#) Cultural Commission Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Recommendation: Elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to serve the Cultural Commission for the FY2021/22 term.

Commissioner Diaz, nominated Commissioner von Huene for the position as Chair for the 2021-22 fiscal year. Commissioner von Huene accepted the nomination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Sulcer, to elect Commissioner von Huene as Chair for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

Commissioner Sulcer, nominated Commissioner Diaz for the position as Vice-Chair for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Commissioner Diaz accepted the nomination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sulcer, seconded by Vice-Chair Marinaro, to elect Commissioner Diaz as Vice-Chair for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Manager, **Kim Castro** requested the Commissioners to follow us on social media. **Kim Castro** thanked staff member, **Tyler Freitas** for his work on the Chalk Art contest and with an interview on the news.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Marinaro reported it was his and his wife's birthday this month and he is looking to buy a new home.

Commissioner von Huene mentioned that she was able to have her employer pay for her "Leadership Santa Clara" tuition. She thought it was a good opportunity. She thanked Commissioner Samara for his hard work.

Commissioner Diaz thanked **Chair Samara** for his work on the commission.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Chair Samara, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:28 P.M.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Samara, Chair von Huene, Vice Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, Sulcer, Commissioner McNamara, and Commissioner Vega

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