



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Cultural Commission

10/03/2022

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953(e) and City of Santa Clara Resolution 22-9142, the Cultural Commission meeting will be held by teleconference only. No physical location will be available for this meeting; however, the City of Santa Clara continues to have methods for the public to participate remotely:

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Diaz called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and acknowledged that October is National Breast Cancer Awareness month. She thanked **Commissioner von Huene** for posting the coloring page information on the Cultural Commission Facebook page.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Commissioner Samara, seconded by Commissioner von Huene, that the Consent Calendar be approved. The motion passed with the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Sundaram, Vice Chair Samara, Commissioner von Huene, Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, and Commissioner McNamara

Absent: 1 - Vega

1.A [22-1308](#) Cultural Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2022

Recommendation: Approve the Cultural Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2022

1.B [22-1129](#) Recommend that Council Approve Cultural Commission Calendar of Meetings for 2023

Recommendation: Recommend that Council approve Cultural Commission Calendar of meetings for 2023.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [22-1128](#) Discussion and Development of Cultural Commission Work Plan Goals and Activities for FY 2022/23

Recommendation: Develop and recommend Cultural Commission work plan goals and activities for FY 2022/23.

Commissioners reported the following updates to the Cultural Commission Work Plan Goals for FY 2022/23.

GOAL #1: Host and enhance multicultural events to encourage and acquaint Santa Clara residents with cultural diversity.

Summer Concerts-

Commissioner Samara mentioned the last concert of the series is Friday, Oct. 7, Latin Heat in Central Park. **Chair Diaz** stated she will be attending the concert and asked which commissioners are planning to attend: **Commissioners von Huene, Sundaram, Samara, and McNamara** indicated they will be attending. **Commissioner Marinaro** did not confirm his attendance.

Commissioner von Huene mentioned there was feedback to host two (2) concerts on the Northside. First concert will be June 23, 2023. There is an extra expense for the stage at Live Oak Park.

Concert in the Park and Street Dance committee will be **Chair Diaz**, and **Commissioners Sundaram and Samara**.

Budget-Mid Year summer review possibly at the next meeting. Sponsorship money will go directly to the Cultural Commission budget.

Commissioner Samara requested the same Sponsorship Information Packets can be used for the 2023 concerts and Street Dance. Packets will be updated with the new dates.

GOAL #2: Develop and encourage interactive, art opportunities to provide temporary, performing, cultural, and public art in the City.

Public Art-

No update.

Utility Box Art-

Chair Diaz reported that all winners were notified. One of the winners

wanted to wrap the Utility Box and not paint it, so an alternate artist was selected. Agreements have been sent out. One artist has completed the insurance requirements and is waiting for the agreement to be executed before painting can begin.

Halloween Home Decorating Contest-

Chair Diaz reported that the Contest was formerly announced and posted on Facebook. Submissions are due Oct. 26. One winner per District and one overall winner. 7 winners total. Judges: **Commissioners Sundaram, von Huene and McNamara**. The Committee will vote and then meet to determine the winners. Signs will be delivered on the 28th.

Commissioners Samara and Marinaro are available to help deliver signs. Same committee will do the Holiday Home Decorating, with the exception of **Commissioner Marinaro** filling in for **Commissioner Sundaram**, as he will not be available.

Map-

Chair Diaz will add to the map as information is available.

GOAL #3: Raise the visibility of commemorative months.

Commissioner Samara will present next meeting. **Chair Diaz** will assist.

Commissioner von Huene posted updated information on Facebook and **Tyler Frietas** Recreation Coordinator, posted the information on Instagram.

GOAL #4: Enhance communication and media strategy to increase community awareness of the Cultural Commission.

Present to Council-

Chair Diaz will work with City Staff on a possible date to report to City Council. Commission will send an email to the Mayor.

GOAL #5: Prepare for Citywide Arts Master Plan Process

No progress. **Commissioner McNamara** will work with **Commissioner von Huene**.

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Manager Castro reported the following: The Halloween Home Decorating Contest kicked off. The deadline for submissions is Oct. 26. Submissions are online only. Friday Oct. 7 is the last Concert of the series, with Latin Heat in Central Park. They partnered with a local nonprofit organization, San Jose Puerto Rican Civic Club that will have a table and raise funds to help the victims of the hurricane in Puerto Rico. There is a survey for East Neighborhood Park at Related Santa Clara requesting the public's feedback. The final meeting of the HomelessTask Force is Oct 27. Children's SooktaClara Halloween Party will take place on Sat. Oct. 29 from 12-3 p.m. in Central Park.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Marinaro reported he has been traveling for work events. He also attended Diego Rivera's America Exhibit in SF. He highly recommends attending. His murals are displayed in video. Phenomenal portraiture and fantastic exhibit.

Commissioner von Huene attended Burning Man (Arts Festival) for a few days.

Chair Diaz reminded everyone that the Cultural Commission is a working committee and attendance at meetings and events is highly encouraged and required. She wanted to remind everyone to participate. She mentioned that Oct. 7 is the last Concert in the Park and thanked the Recreation Staff for their work on events.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene., seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Sundaram, Vice Chair Samara, Commissioner von Huene, Chair Diaz, Commissioner Marinaro, and Commissioner McNamara

Absent: 1 - Vega

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