



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Cultural Commission

11/04/2024

7:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting
Santa Clara Senior Center
Room 205
1303 Fremont Street
Santa Clara, CA 95050

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Marinaro called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Present 7 - Commissioner Abinas Roy, Commissioner Candida Diaz, Vice Chair Debra von Huene, Chair Jonathan Marinaro, Commissioner Louis Samara, Commissioner Neetu Garg, and Commissioner Swami Krishnamoorthy

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [24-1064](#) Action on Cultural Commission Regular Minutes of October 7, 2024

Recommendation: Approve the Cultural Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2024

A motion was made by Commissioner Samara and seconded by Commissioner von Huene to approve the minutes of October 7, 2024.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Roy, Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Diaz

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [24-1065](#) Discussion and Updates of the Cultural Commission's Work Plan Goals and Activities for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26

A motion was made by Vice Chair Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Samara to allocate \$1,500 to co-fund a concert with Mission College on June 4, 2025.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Roy, Commissioner Diaz, Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

A motion was made by Commissioner Samara and seconded by Commissioner Garg to discuss Arts in Education with Santa Clara School District at the December meeting.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Roy, Commissioner Diaz, Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

3. [24-1084](#) Action to Recommend a New Cultural Commission Member to Serve on the Station Area Task Force

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Commission review the request and provide direction as appropriate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Samara and seconded by Commissioner von Huene to appoint Chair Jonathan Marinaro as the Cultural Commission representative to Serve on the Station Area Task Force.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Roy, Commissioner Diaz, Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Manager Castro thanked the Commission for a successful Halloween Home Decorating Contest and shared that the Holiday Home Decorating Contest will kick off on November 25. Oliver is on the stage at the Community Recreation Center this weekend and everyone is encouraged to come see the show. On November 6, there will be an informational meeting for persons wanting to become a volunteer Kindness Ambassador. Damon Sparacino, the new Parks & Recreation Director begins on November 12.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Garg saw a show by the Santa Clara Players.

Commissioner Samara traveled to Palm Springs and saw public art including the Marilyn Monroe statue.

Chair Marinaro encouraged everyone to see an opera this year; La Boheme opens next month.

Commissioner Roy traveled to India and attended the Diwali event in Sunnyvale.

Vice Chair Diaz attended the Pumpkin and Art Festival in Half Moon Bay

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chair Diaz and seconded by Commissioner von Huene to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 PM.

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Roy, Commissioner Diaz, Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

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