



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes Cultural Commission

12/03/2018

7:00 PM Senior Center - 1303 Fremont Street, Santa Clara, CA

95050

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair von Huene called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Commissioner Bhatia arrived at 7:12 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Mathur, to excuse Commissioner Marinaro from the meeting.

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

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Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bhatia

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CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [18-1574](#) Cultural Commission Minutes of November 5, 2018

Recommendation: Approve the Cultural Commission Minutes of November 5, 2018

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Mathur, to approve the minutes with amendment.

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Mathur, von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bhatia

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [18-1560](#) Update on Utility Box Art Program

Recommendation: The following are recommendations from the City Attorney's attached memorandum:

1. The Commission should reconsider its prior recommendation to change the artwork. Instead the Commission may consider advising the artist of the concerns expressed by the member of the public and seek a response from the artist on whether he or she would like to remove the artwork, or modify it, or replace it with another. This decision lies solely with the artist.
2. If the City intends to continue with the Utility Box Art program, it is recommended that the program's guidelines and application be amended to include a defined theme(s).
3. The program's guidelines and application should require an artist who wishes to participate to sign an agreement waiving the artist's rights under applicable federal and state laws, as well as an acknowledgement of the City's right to alter, modify, and/or remove the artwork, and other contractual obligations as deemed appropriate by the City Attorney's Office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Vice Chair Samara, to accept the City Attorney's Office recommendations and defer program guideline revisions to the Arts in the Public Spaces subcommittee.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

3. [18-1573](#) Cultural Commission Work Plan Updates and Discussion for FY2018-19

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

The commission reviewed and modified their 2018-19 work plan and strategic goals.

STAFF REPORT

Staff reviewed the MySantaClara App, the Pedestrian Master Plan meetings and recommended commissioners share their input for the Pedestrian Master Plan either in person or on the online survey.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Beavers attended the "Drawn Together" screening held at the City of Santa Public Library.

Commissioner Bhatia attended the Children's Musical Theater San Jose's production of "Elf" and hosted artist/filmmaker Salman Alem. Additionally, she will be traveling to India & Pakistan as a community liaison for a Northern California/Southern California delegation.

Commissioner Diaz reported on the November 9, 2018 Friday Night Live performance featuring Grupo Folklorico Los Laureles. She reported that the performance was well received and had a full audience.

Chair von Huene visited the Montalvo Arts Center to see the "Stories in Light" exhibit by Bruce Monro.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m. with the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, January 7, 2019.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bhatia, seconded by Commissioner Beavers, to adjourn the meeting.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro