

# PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES

Minutes contain a summary of discussions and formal actions taken at a City Council meeting.

Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 5:30 PM

Solana Beach City Council Chambers

635 S. Highway 101, Solana Beach, CA 92075

## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Chairperson Sweet called the PAC meeting to order at 5:38 PM.

Present Commissioners: Debbie Sweet, Hallie Shilling (Arrived at 5:58 PM), Jeanie

Grischy, Mark Mennie, Sharon Klein, Shawn Hethcock

Staff Members: Kayla Moshki, Management Assistant

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**Motion:** Moved by Vice Chairperson Klein and seconded by Commissioner Hethcock to approve the agenda. **Approved 5/0/1** (Absent: Shilling). Motion carried

## 3. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2021, MINUTES:

 Commissioner Mennie requested clarification on agenda topic 6.A.- Temporary Public Arts Program Report, first bullet.

**Motion:** Moved by Vice Chairperson Klein and seconded by Commissioner Grischy to approve the agenda. **Approved 5/0/1** (Absent: Shilling). Motion carried

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT: This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address this Commission on items relating to its business that is not listed on today's agenda. Pursuant to the Brown Act, no action shall be taken on public comment items. Items can be referred to Staff for review for placement on a future agenda
  - No Public Comment.

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- 5. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEW/PROPOSED BUSINESS: An opportunity for members to make brief announcements or propose potential future agenda item. These items are not agendized for official Commission business and do not involve substantive discussion or action. Pursuant to the Brown Act, there will be no action taken on these items. All new/proposed business will be placed on a PAC agenda at the direction of the City Manager.
  - Commissioner Sweet proposed to discuss the Solana Beach Public Arts Instagram page at a future meeting.
  - Vice Chairperson Klein discussed the Solana Beach Sun article about the City's purchasing the Pinion art piece.
  - Commissioner Mennie reported back on a local artist he met at Carruth Cellars and discussed the creation/preservation of an "artist hopper".

#### 6. THE PINION UPDATE:

- Staff provided an update on City Council approval for purchasing the *Pinion* at the October 13, 2021, meeting. The City Council authorize a total of \$35,000 for acquiring the piece as part of the City's Permanent Art Collection and for all expenses needed for installation.
- Staff provided background information on the Engineering requirements, including clarifying the steps for the refurbishment process and installation.

#### 7. UPDATE FROM SUB-COMMITTEES:

## a. Temporary Public Arts 2021-22 Artist Consideration:

- Commissioner Mennie provided a comprehensive report on the seven new applications received from the extended Call for Submissions.
- The sub-committee presented their recommendations for which four pieces would be best for the program and the corresponding locations.
- Vice Chairperson Klein expressed concern for potential community criticisms at the Seascape Sur public beach location and discussed previously received criticism from a previous piece at that location. She continued to clarify that when selecting a piece for this location to select an appropriate piece for the Junior Lifeguards program as well.
- Commissioner Shilling commented on *Rio* becoming a potential "Solana Beach Kook" if installed at Tide Beach Park public beach access and how this community interaction would have a positive impact for Solana Beach Public Arts.
- Commissioner Mennie discussed his concerns with Rio that included the artist's high price point, potential environmental damages to the bronze piece, and potential issues with insurance coverage.

• Staff presented photos of all the temporary public art locations for the Commissioners to select locations for the discussed pieces.

**Motion:** Chairperson Sweet made a motion to select *Rio*, by Richard Harmetz, to be installed at the Tide Beach Park public beach access. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shillings. **Approved 5/1/0** (Noes: Mennie). Motion carried.

**Motion:** Chairperson Sweet made a motion to select *Calling for All Old Souls*, by Leena Hannonen to be installed at the Seascape Sur public beach access. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shillings. **Approved 6/0/0**. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Chairperson Sweet made a motion to select *Peace Arrow*, by Alexander Gull, to be installed at the San Rodolfo Drive location. Motion seconded by Commissioner Mennie. **Approved 6/0/0**. Motion carried.

## b. Utility Box Wrap Project Location Consideration:

- Commissioner Hethcock provided an update regarding the Engineering department's review and comments on the draft location list and reported back that five of the utility boxes on the draft location list are City owned and operated.
- Commissioner Hethcock presented the sub-committee's recommendation to select seven locations on the draft list to start the program.
- Staff provided clarification that the next step after selecting the locations is finalizing the total budget needed for this project, which included collecting three quotes from vinyl companies and finalizing an artist stipend for the call to artists.
- Commissioner Hethcock discussed Si Lee's proposal and expressed concerns with all the additional steps needed to complete the project.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hethcock made a motion to select the following seven locations for the Utility Box Project: 961 Lomas Santa Fe Drive; Rail Trail across from Holiday Inn; Southwest corner at the intersection of S. Cedros Ave and Lomas Santa Fe; The Fire Station; Southwest corner at the intersection Lomas Santa Fe Drive and Stevens Ave; and Southeast corner at Intersection of Solana Hills and Lomas Santa Fe Drive. Motion seconded by Chairperson Sweet. **Approved 6/0/0.** Motion carried.

# c. Public Art Directory Sub-Committee Final Report:

**Motion:** Commissioner Grischy made a motion to move the Public Art Directory Sub-Committee Report to the next meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hethcock. **Approved 6/0/0.** Motion carried.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT:

- Chairperson Sweet adjourned the October 26, 2021, PAC meeting at 7:21 PM.
- The next PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Moshki, Management Assistant

Approved Date: 1-25-2022