



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Arts Commission

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

7:00 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Web Stream

TELECONFERENCE NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the meeting was conducted telephonically.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Eskridge called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Chair Dawna Eskridge
Commissioner Susannah Vaughan
Commissioner Agnes Veith
Absent: 2 - Vice Chair Sue Serrone
Commissioner Jeremie Gluckman

Commissioner Gluckman's absence is unexcused.

Vice Chair Serrone's absence is excused.

Council Liaison Klein (Present)

PRESENTATION

A [21-0336](#) Hands on the Arts Festival (Project Scope)

Michele-Bridget Ragsdale, Recreation Services Coordinator II, provided a presentation on the Hands on the Arts Festival. Highlights included: plan to have festival as a drive-through event, map detailing driving route, performances/artists, supply bag pickup, inquiry for Commissioner participation, date, price and advertising materials.

Commissioners inquired and staff responded:

Can families participate if they cannot afford the ticket price? Yes, families that

apply and are approved in our fee waiver program receive funds to use on recreation programs and events.

As the event would be appointment based, is there a plan for families that do not attend during their designated time? The event will be setup in a way to spread out attendance, early and late visitors will be accommodated.

B [21-0265](#) Study Issue Update (Citywide)

Ricky Le, Administrative Aide, provided a presentation on Study Issues Update. Highlights included: results of study issues workshop, timeline for feedback by the City Manager, and 2021 budget workshop date.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Eskridge opened oral communications and there was no public testimony, closed oral communications

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Vaughan moved and Commissioner Veith seconded the motion to approve the consent calendar as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chair Eskridge
 Commissioner Vaughan
 Commissioner Veith

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Vice Chair Serrone
 Commissioner Gluckman

1 [21-0266](#) Approve the Arts Commission Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2021

Approve the Arts Commission Minutes of January 20, 2021 as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2 [21-0391](#) Approve Art in Private Development Project - Sunrise Assisted Living/581-583 Fremont Avenue

Kristin Dance, Recreation Services Coordinator II, introduced the Arts in Private Development Project - Sunrise Assisted Living/581-583 Fremont Avenue.

David Austin, Art Consultant for Sunrise Senior Living, and Michael Kalish, Artist, provided detailed information regarding the project. Highlights included: background of site, proposed art piece, scale, related projects and maintenance.

Commissioners inquired and artist responded.

Will the sculpture provide shade and have seated areas underneath? Yes, benches will be installed.

Does the artist work with recycled materials? Yes, but this particular project would require materials with greater structural integrity.

Can solar panels be incorporated in the project? Pending budget, yes. Art Consultant will speak with Sunrise to pitch idea.

Commissioner Vaughan moved and Commissioner Veith seconded the motion to approve the Art in Private Development Project - Sunrise Assisted Living/581-583 Fremont Avenue.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chair Eskridge
Commissioner Vaughan
Commissioner Veith

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Vice Chair Serrone
Commissioner Gluckman

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

3 [21-0267](#) Arts Commission Proposed Study Issues, Calendar Year: 2022

Standing item. No study issues approved in previous meeting were proposed.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Veith informed the Arts Commission that she has been in contact with the Heritage Preservation Commission to provide a presentation on Sunnyvale's history at our April or August commission meeting dates.

Commissioner Vaughan mentioned that the month of March is recognized as Women's History Month and would like to acknowledge women's art pieces.

Commissioners notified staff that they would like to assist with the Hands on the Arts Festival preparation.

-Staff Comments

Trenton Hill, Community Services Manager, and Kristin Dance provided an update to Commissioners regarding next steps for selecting upcoming public art projects, distribution of Call for Artists for the Civic Center project and Utility Box program, Washington Swim Center sculptures, Fair Oaks project, Public Art website, and plan to distribute a quarterly newsletter.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Eskridge adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.