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#### **APPROVED MINUTES**

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL MINUTES OF March 2, 2022

The notice of the meeting was posted on February 24, 2022.

## **DESIGN REVIEW BOARD:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Mills-Thysen called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M.

**1. ROLL CALL**: **Present**: Marghe Mills-Thysen, Chair

Jeffrey Stucker, Vice Chair

Robert Brent, Committee Member Lars Langberg, Committee Member Barbara Harris, Committee Member Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.

- 3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.
- 4. STATEMENTS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: None.

Absent:

Staff:

- 5. REGULAR AGENDA:
  - A. Ives Park Sculpture Garden Logistics (installation, signage, opening ceremony, security, new call, etc.)

Chair Mills-Thysen began the discussion with signage.

Director Svanstrom answered Committee questions and reported that signage for the existing artists had been ordered and would arrive in a week and then be installed by Public Works.

The Committee discussed entrance signage for the playground entrance and High Street entrance.

Chair Mills-Thysen requested Vice Chair Stucker contact former PAC Chair Vertz regarding reworking the sign design, and Committee Member Langberg coordinate Design Review

Board requirements and production, and work with the Public Works sign shop to finalize the installation of the entrance signs.

Chair Mills-Thysen requested Committee Member Brent speak with the Sebastopol Center for the Arts regarding removing the superfluous County sign on High Street so a sculpture garden entrance sign could be affixed to the two posts or put the County sign on the back side of the posts so the sculpture garden sign could go on the front.

The Committee discussed sculpture garden security.

Chair Mills-Thysen requested Committee Member Brent also coordinate with the Center for the Arts regarding their external video to give security coverage of the sculpture garden.

Director Svanstrom reported that the police had been alerted that vandalism of the sculpture garden is a concern, as it has occurred in the past.

Chair Mills-Thysen reported that a person at the Center for the Arts thought the sculpture garden vandals may be students from one of the local high schools or middle schools and suggested a PAC member give a presentation at the schools regarding the sculpture garden and how important it is to protect it. Committee Member Brent suggested high school students be encouraged to create sculptures as part of the Sculpture Jam for the opening. Committee Member Brent and Vice Chair Stucker volunteered to do presentations for school outreach.

### B. Discussion of Pac Subcommittees and Non-Pac Member Participation

Chair Mills-Thysen reminded the Committee's that it had passed a proposal to set up non-PAC member participation at the last PAC meeting. It was decided that PAC would approve anyone who wished to do subcommittee work and work done by non-PAC members, since it is reflective of the PAC.

Director Svanstrom outlined two methods to foster the participation of non-PAC members: 1) Do outreach to gauge the public's interest; and 2) Post to the City's website for interested people to contact Chair Mills-Thysen.

The Committee discussed what is needed to move forward, such as having subcommittees vet the volunteers if needed. The committee discussed PAC's needs for further help with the opening of the Community Sculpture Garden and other projects. The committee decided to do community outreach using the two methods outlined by Director Svanstrom, and to maintain a file of people of interest

#### C. Discussion of Minutes Process

Director Svanstrom provided a brief introduction and answered Committee questions.

The Committee discussed the possibility of a PAC member taking action minutes at PAC meetings.

Chair Mills-Thysen suggested the Committee continue the matter to a later discussion, and PAC members give thoughts on how they would like the minutes to be done, whether action or summary.

# 6. PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT (Update on Future Agendas, Action of Other Boards and City Council)

Director Svanstrom provided updates and answered PAC member questions.

Committee Langberg provided an update on City parklets.

Chair Mills-Thysen and Vice Chair Stucker requested items to be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chair Stucker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Langberg seconded the motion. Chair Mills-Thysen adjourned the meeting of the Sebastopol Public Arts Committee at 12:00 p.m. The next Regular Public Arts Committee meeting will be held on April 6, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.