


Agenda Report Reviewed by:
City Manager: 

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
CITY COUNCIL
AGEND ITEM

Meeting Date: June 1, 2021
To: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
From: Planning Director
City Administration
Subject: Approval and Receipt of Vacancy on the Public Arts Committee Due to Resignation of Warren Arnold – Category 1
Recommendation : That the Mayor and City council Accept the Report and Authorize Staff to Begin the Recruitment Process
Funding: Currently Budgeted: _____ Yes _____ No XX N/A
Net General Fund Cost: N/A
Amount: \$0

Account Code/Costs authorized in City Approved Budget (if applicable) AK (verified by Administrative Services Department)

INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE:

This item is to request that the City Council Accept the Report and Authorize Staff to Begin the Recruitment Process.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Art Committee (PAC) meets the first Wednesday of each month from 10:30-noon.

A Public Arts Committee is maintained by the City. Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the City Council.

Terms of office for each of the Committee members shall be four-year, staggered terms. Said Committee shall be comprised of five members as follows:

Preference will be shown to City residents and persons who own a business or work in the City; however, qualified candidates from the greater Sebastopol and Sonoma County area will be considered. In making appointments, the City Council shall consider the following categories:

1. Active members of a City-based, art focused, registered nonprofit organization, entity or facility.
2. Persons with experience in the public art field as either an artist, installer or designer.
3. Members of the general public.
4. A member of the Design Review Board.

In the event suitable candidates satisfactory to the City Council in the above categories are not available to serve, the City Council may then select any person or persons in their discretion.

The Committee shall maintain a registry of public art in the City and perform the duties required of this chapter and any other chapter or resolution of the City Council pertaining to the City’s public art program.

In addition to development related public art projects or public art projects funded by the public art fund, the Committee shall review and provide recommendations to the City Council on nondevelopment-generated public art projects.

DISCUSSION:

On May 11, Warren Arnold submitted a letter indicating he was resigning from the Public Art Committee effective immediately. Mr. Arnold was a member of the PAC seat category 1: Active members of a City-based, art focused, registered nonprofit organization, entity or facility.

The recruitment will be to fill the remainder of Mr. Arnold's term (December 31, 2021).

City Staff will initiate the public application process for the upcoming vacancies. Applications will be available on the City website and at City Hall. Notice of the vacancy will be published and the application period will be open for a period of approximately six weeks (June 3, 2021 through July 15, 2021). Staff will agendaize the interview(s) and recommendation for appointment for a future City Council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

As of the writing of this staff report, the City has not received any public comment. However, public comment from interested parties following the publication and distribution of this staff report will be provided to the City Council as supplemental materials before or at the meeting. In addition, a consent calendar item may be requested to be removed from the consent calendar if a member of the Council or public requests to provide public comment on this item.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

This item was noticed in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and was available for public viewing and review at least 72 hours prior to scheduled meeting date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with the recommended action tonight.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Council Accept the Report and Authorize Staff to Begin the Recruitment Process.

Attachments:

None