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APPROVED ACTION MINUTES

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE
 CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
 MINUTES OF June 02, 2021

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE:

The notice of the meeting was posted on May 27, 2021.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Mills-Thysen called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, and Committee Members Langberg, and Stucker, and Chair Vertz (arrived at 11:48 a.m.)
Absent:	None
Staff:	Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 05, 2021

Committee Member Stucker made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

The Committee and Director Svanstrom discussed the format for future action minutes.

Committee Member Langberg seconded the motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

VOTE:

Ayes:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, and Committee Members Langberg, and Stucker
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Chair Vertz

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

5. STATEMENTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Sculpture Garden Update

Director Svanstrom and Vice Chair Mills-Thysen provided updates, and the Committee and Director Svanstrom discussed the call.

Committee Member Stucker agreed to send an email list to staff of contacts to relevant organizations that should be notified once the call is released.

Vice Chair Mills-Thysen asked Director Svanstrom to provide contact information for previous artworks that were placed around town, and still are, through Sculpture Jam.

For timeline for the call, with the call being anticipated to be released on June 3, 2021, the Committee agreed on a due date of August 3, 2021.

The Committee agreed on likely cancelling their regular meeting on August 4, 2021, and holding a special meeting on August 18, 2021, to review the submissions that were received.

With regards to finalist presentations and/or an opportunity to ask questions of some of the sculptors who submit, the Committee agreed on using their regular meeting on September 1, 2021, for that purpose, if needed.

The Committee agreed to discuss the appropriateness of providing feedback that could potentially change an artwork at their next meeting.

The Committee agreed that installation is likely to occur in mid-September while recognizing that coordination with Public Works and the artists will be needed.

The Committee agreed to a provisional date for the show opening of October 1, 2021. Any work on display prior to that date would be part of a soft opening.

Director Svanstrom noted that Council may need to approve the artwork and commented that their regular meeting on September 7, 2021, would be the earliest available date.

The Committee recapped the timeline and changes to the Call. All were in consensus.

B. Public Arts Project Updates

Director Svanstrom provided updates on Ned Kahn's contract amendment to move the project along.

Director Svanstrom provided updates on Michael McGinnis's project noting that fabrication is underway, and an installation date should be determined soon.

The Committee asked questions of Director Svanstrom and discussed the final design of the Ned Kahn artwork.

C. Potential Sculpture Sites for Future Calls

Director Svanstrom commented that she had not yet heard back from Regional Parks on use of the areas near the trail by Hopmonk and on the north end of town by the O'Reilly project.

Committee Member Stucker commented on the potential for use of Spooner Park, noted that he has reached out to Mayor Glass regarding history and has not yet heard back, and that he would like to continue looking into use of Spooner Park. Expressed interest in

hearing from staff and the Committee on next steps which can be done at the next meeting, if needed.

Committee Member Langberg agreed on the need to save this bigger conversation for a future meeting date where the Committee can have more time to discuss it.

Director Svanstrom commented that moving anything (or tree removals) at Spooner Park would require funding which would need to go to Council for approval.

Director Svanstrom encouraged members of the Committee to visit Spooner Park before the next meeting to look at potential siting and what may need to be moved/relocated in order to do so. Doing so would allow staff and the Committee to have a better sense of what the ask is if the Committee should decide to go with Spooner Park as the site for the next public art project.

Committee Member Stucker agreed to take photos of Spooner Park to share with the Committee for purposes of discussion at their next meeting.

The Committee agreed that more work needs to be done to identify a number of sites to further discussion of this item.

Chair Vertz arrived at 11:48 a.m.

Director Svanstrom agreed to outline areas for consideration, based on Committee discussions to date, in the staff report for the continuation of this item at their next meeting.

D. Meeting Structure

Director Svanstrom commented that the City is looking into a hybrid option for future meetings.

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

Director Svanstrom provided updates.

8. ADJOURNMENT: Committee Member Stucker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Langberg seconded the motion. Vice 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 cancelled, and a special meeting will be held on July 14, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.