

**CITY OF DANA POINT
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes**

April 18, 2012
6:01pm- 7:13pm

City Council Chambers
33282 Golden Lantern
Dana Point, CA 92629

CALL TO ORDER – Chairwoman Schnell called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Vice-Chair Wickstrom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Chairwoman Karin Schnell and Vice-Chair Alan Wickstrom, Commissioner Nancy Jenkins, Commissioner Matthew Miller, Commissioner Judith Nowland

Staff Present: Kevin Evans (Director) and Monique Leon (Community Services Secretary)

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEM 1: **Minutes of the Regular Arts and Culture Commission Meeting March 21, 2012.**

ACTION: **Motion made (Jenkins) and seconded (Nowland) to approve the Minutes of the Regular Arts and Culture Commission Meeting March 21, 2012. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)**

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Hinman had a public comment and congratulated the Commissioners on the creation of the Arts and Culture Commission. He also asked that the Commission considers artwork that moves away from nautical and other traditional themes.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items on the Consent Calendar.

D. OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 2: **Doris Walker Ad-Hoc Committee Status Report**

Kevin Evans (Director) gave a staff report regarding the Doris Walker Ad-Hoc Committee. He explained that the Ad-Hoc Committee met on April 16th and reviewed artwork submitted by Christopher Pecharka. The Ad-Hoc Committee came up with a recommendation for the Arts and Culture Commission. The

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recommendation included 1) accept the conceptual design submitted by Christopher Pecharka; 2) appoint a sub-committee, consisting of Liz Bammattre, Judy Henderson, Brent Walker and Blair Walker, to come up with the verbiage and a picture to be used in the artwork; 3) recommend the naming of the compass point at Heritage Park to the Doris Walker Overlook.

Commissioner Nowland suggested that the sub-committee should have submitted several options for artwork.

Commissioner Miller asked about potential cost and if there was still going to be several parts to this tribute.

Kevin Evans (Director) explained that this was only phase one and other phases would be happening at a later time.

Commissioner Nowland asked for details about the tribute.

Chairwoman Schnell explained it would be made out of bronze and approximately 4x6 at this time. She explained it would not be very tall so as to not block the view of the compass point.

ACTION: Motion made (Jenkins) and seconded (Miller) to approve the Recommended Action to City Council. The Recommended Action is that the Commission approve 1) the Christopher Pecharka conceptual design for phase one of the Doris Walker Tribute; 2) appoint a sub-committee of Ad-Hoc Committee members to select an appropriate picture and verbiage for the tribute; and 3) recommend the renaming of the compass point at Heritage Park to the Doris Walker Overlook. Motion Carried 4-1-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Wickstrom NAYS: Nowland ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

ITEM 3: Dana Point Arts & Culture Commission Forum

Kevin Evans (Director) gave a staff report which gave a brief summary of what was stated at the public forum on March 31st, 2012. He stated that approximately 50 people attended this meeting. It was stated that the most attended events included the Dana Point Symphony, Concerts in the Park, SOSCA performances, Car shows and the Historical Society Home Tours. The short term goals which are to be achieved within a year included expanding the arts in public places in the Harbor, Town Center and Doheny Village. They also wanted to create children's art theater, community Art Theater, food festivals and various ways to get the youth involved in the arts. Kevin Evans also stated that the long term goals included the performing arts center, outdoor amphitheater, historical museum, surf

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museum and an art village. Some of the potential sites included the Doheny Village and the Town Center.

Chairwoman Schnell stated that she wanted to thank staff and that the information gathered would be great for creating the master plan.

Commissioner Miller asked about the emails that were gathered at the public forum and if they have been utilized in any way.

Kevin Evans (Director) states that they have not been utilized as of yet but that they can be in the future for arts or culture events or for a thank you as well.

Commissioner Nowland asked about public forum and about using the information gathered to create short term and long term goals as well as a mission statement.

ACTION: **Motion made (Miller) and seconded (Nowland) to put the discussion of the short term goals, long term goals and a mission statement on the agenda for the May 16th 2012 Arts & Culture Commission Meeting. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)**

ITEM 4: **Operational Guidelines for the Public Art Display in the City Council Foyer**

Kevin Evans (Director) gave a staff report stating that the Artwork in the Foyer is in its second phase and includes photos from the Dana Point Photographic Art Club Book. He states that what is needed is a long-term format for the selection of artwork in the future. He explains that the display time would be two months and that themes should be chosen as well. He states that the Ad-hoc Committee is asking the Commission to help choose the themes for the artwork.

Commissioner Jenkins further explains the details of the program and explains that the artwork does not necessarily need to follow the events that are going on throughout the City but can have a general theme such as fall. She also asks about notification of artists and asks if a press release is possible.

Chairwoman Schnell states that she can contact the four south Orange County art groups to let their artists know about the opportunity.

Vice-Chair Wickstrom suggests also making sure that high school is notified of the opportunity for the young artists.

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ACTION: Motion made (Wickstrom) and seconded (Miller) to approve the guidelines as submitted. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

ACTION: Motion made (Nowland) and seconded (Miller) that the September/October Art in the Foyer have the medium of watercolors and with a fall inspiration. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

D. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 5: Develop an Outreach Program with the City of Dana Point and Local Non-Profit arts groups.

Kevin Evans (Director) discussed how the Commission would be able to connect and communicate with various local art and culture groups. The Commission hopes to gather information on the various arts and culture groups throughout the City. The Commission also hopes that due to these new connections the information about the local Groups and their events can be passed onto the public.

E. STAFF REPORTS

Kevin Evans (Director) had no staff report.

F. ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Jenkins stated that a council member has a friend who is interested in having a chocolate festival and will see if her friend can come to a meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission.

Commissioner Miller stated that he enjoyed the participation at the public forum and was happy that the ad-hoc committees are working cohesively.

Commissioner Nowland stated that she was inspired by the public forum and hopes that the Commissioners can come up with short and long term goals.

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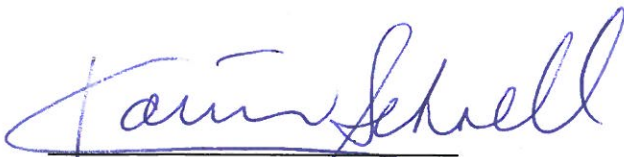
Vice-Chairman Wickstrom suggested it be known that a month, for example June, is public arts month and he wanted to share that the SOSCA musical is opening up.

Chairwoman Schnell states that Arts Orange County will be having a county wide arts council in June. She also states that the Dana Point Symphony has high attendance and the finale is May 4th at 7:30 pm. She also wanted to share that the 'Art on the Fence' was pushed back to May 26th and that there will be young musicians performing.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Schnell announced that the *next regular* meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 16th, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter) in the City Council Chamber located at 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point, California.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.



Karin Schnell, Chairwoman
Arts and Culture Commission