

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

May 28th, 2013
6:01pm-8:10pm

City Council Chambers
33282 Golden Lantern
Dana Point, CA 92629

CALL TO ORDER – Chairwoman Jenkins called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Vice-Chairwoman Nowland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Chairwoman Nancy Jenkins, Vice-Chair Judith Nowland, Commissioner Matthew Miller, Commissioner Karin Schnell, Commissioner Wickstrom (arrived at 6:04pm)

Commissioner Absent: none

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

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEM 1: **Minutes of the Regular Arts and Culture Commission Meeting of April 17th, 2013.**

ACTION: **Motion made (Schnell) and seconded (Nowland) to approve the amended Minutes of the Regular Arts and Culture Commission Meeting of April 17th, 2013. Motion Carried 4-0-1. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland NAYS: None ABSENT: Wickstrom ABSTAIN: None)**

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Keith Johannes had a public comment and gave a summary of the preservation of the concrete stamps throughout the City. He suggests using some of these stamps in a piece of artwork.

Jim Barnes had a public comment and stated that he wanted to support Keith and his mission of preserving the stamps.

John Kalb had a public comment and gave an update on the New Vision Theater Company. He also discussed the various events the Company will be a part of or holding.

Dana Yarger had a public comment and gave an update on the Elephant Parade and explained the details of the program that involves artistic sketches by kids in the local schools.

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C. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items on the Consent Calendar.

D. OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 2: Art on Display

There was no staff report.

Chairwoman Jenkins gave a brief summary about the various criteria sheets that were a part of the Commissioners packets.

Commissioner Schnell describes their recommendations for criteria for the artwork in the City Council Foyer. These recommendations include Southern California artist, can represent two or three dimensional original art, preferences for imagery relating to the City of Dana Point but not the sole criteria. The subcommittee is looking for a featured artist for a 3 month time period.

Chairwoman Jenkins asks for input from the other Commissioners.

Vice-Chair Nowland states that the artists that are not selected are able to apply again.

ACTION: Motion made (Schnell) and seconded (Wickstrom) to accept the recommendation for criteria for selection of artwork with the addition of aesthetic merit. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

Commissioner Schnell states that the exhibit would probably begin in September and also that the focus of the subcommittee would be to choose the featured artist for September.

Chairwoman Jenkins suggests possibly using the artwork in the foyer as a place to display some artwork from the elephant parade.

Commissioner Wickstrom states that the artwork relating to the City of Dana Point should be up to the artist because there are so many ways an artist can view and depict Dana Point.

Vice-Chair Nowland gave a summary update on the artwork in the Community Center. She states that Palisades Elementary is currently up and will be till June

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3rd and new student artwork will be up in July. She states that there are several possible groups who will be participating.

ITEM 3: Future Sites of Public Art

There was no staff report.

Chairwoman Jenkins gave a brief summary on choosing various sites for Public Art.

Commissioner Miller presented his top choices for potential sites for Public Art which included the bridges in Monarch Beach and Capistrano Beach, murals in the empty lots throughout Town Center. He also suggests looking into the signage codes for the various Fast Food signs. He states such codes as lights not being illuminated and the signs have to be a certain size.

Vice-Chair Nowland presented her top choices for potential sites for Public Art which included various sites throughout Lantern Bay Park. She states that she believes that something that can be built upon and include several pieces would be a good idea.

Commissioner Wickstrom suggests utility box artwork which should be a low-cost project. He also states that Lantern Bay Park seems to be a common choice. He states that he likes the idea of a sculpture garden and putting mosaic tiles on the stairs.

Chairwoman Jenkins asks if the ideas should be prioritized or listed in some way.

Vice-Chair Nowland suggests discussing the feasibility of each project and organizing them in that way.

Commissioner Wickstrom suggests finding out costs of the various projects so that the Council could peruse projects as they want to.

Commissioner Miller states that he would like to get more things accomplished before the next Commission takes a hold. He states he would like to have a list of the top 5 choices. He states that his first priority would be the Capistrano Beach Bridge and to remove the fencing and possibly painting and stenciling. He stated that his second priority would be the stairs at Lantern Bay and see if the Harbor would participate in that. He also suggested that we then present that to Council.

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Chairwoman Jenkins states that it seems like prioritizing seems to be a popular idea if that is what the Commission should do.

Vice-Chair Nowland suggests grouping the types of projects by bridges, parks, etc.

The Commission agreed upon the following categories: Bridges, Public Canvases, Parks and Specific Sites. The Bridges category includes the Capistrano Beach Bridge. The Public Canvases category includes utility boxes and walls. The Parks category includes the steps at Lantern Bay Park, the sculpture garden at Lantern Bay Park, the bandstand area at La Plaza and the Heritage Park terraces. The Specific Sites category includes the sculpture at City Hall and parking structure in Town Center. The Commission also agreed that the order of priority for the projects should be Lantern Bay Park steps, La Plaza Park bandstand, Sculpture garden at Lantern Bay Park and then the Heritage Park terraces.

Commissioner Miller asks staff for cost estimates of bridge retrofits.

Kevin Evans (Director) states that it is possible to have some of the smaller projects come out of the Parks budget and that the bigger projects would have to wait for money to become available.

ITEM 4: Summer Concert Events

There was no staff report.

Chairwoman Jenkins gave a brief summary and stated that she researched the Summer Concerts for Boston, Pike's Peak Park and Breckenridge. She states that for all three areas they state that they include diverse programming. For example Boston didn't just advertise for Boston they also advertised for Cape Cod, etc. She also states that these areas have diverse locations for performances and that sponsorships are small and not large corporations. She states that Breckenridge allows people to donate and sponsor concerts and events and that people can host events in their homes.

Commissioner Miller states that he researched several large cities including Lake Oswego, Oregon. He states that he would like to do further research. He also states that in order to make Dana Point the City of music that he wants he believes a mission statement would be necessary.

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ITEM 5: Creating an Arts Ordinance

Commissioner Schnell states that she and Commissioner Wickstrom are still compiling information and asked that this could be pushed to the next meeting. She also states she would like to broaden the topic to Arts and Culture Plans/Programs of which might include Arts Ordinances.

ITEM 6: Art Quest

Vice-Chair Nowland states that she has spoken with Heather Johnson, the head of the Chamber of Commerce, and that she is very supportive. She believes that a bingo format would be more fun for the people. She would like to pass out information at other surrounding arts events.

ITEM 7: Artist of the Quarter

Chairwoman Jenkins asks the Commissioners to comment on the proposed guidelines.

ACTION: Motion made (Miller) and seconded (Schnell) to accept the following revised criteria for Artist of the Quarter: they must have contributed to Arts and/or Culture in the City of Dana Point, they do not need to be residents of Dana Point, students and adults are eligible, individuals or groups are eligible and awards can go to artists from any genres including; performing arts, music, literature, visual arts, culinary, technical, dance and film. Motion Carried 5-0-0. (AYES: Schnell, Jenkins, Miller, Nowland, Wickstrom NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None)

E. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

F. STAFF REPORTS

Kevin Evans (Director) stated that all Commissioners have reapplied for the Arts and Culture Commission. He stated that the Memorial Day event was the largest ever and that the Movies in the Park are starting up again in June. He states that at the June meeting he would like to have the Recreation Supervisor attend and give an update on the Summer Events.

G. ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSIONER REPORTS

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Chairwoman Jenkins states that she will be holding a fundraiser for the Dana Point Relay for Life, Team Craig, at her house.

Commissioner Schnell stated that she attended the State of the City, she also stated that there was an article on the painted utility boxes in the City of San Clemente. She also states that the Dana Point Symphony is bringing in a dance company for the last concert. She states that the school SOSCA awards are soon and that various students will be receiving art scholarship awards.

Commissioner Miller had no commissioner report.

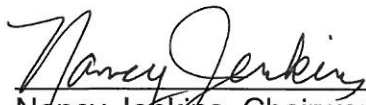
Commissioner Wickstrom stated that he attended the Dana Point Symphony fundraising event and that SOSCA has their final performance at the high school.

Vice-Chair Nowland states that she attended the Saddleback College fashion show and would love to see that here. She also stated that she attend the Race to Erase Multiple Sclerosis in LA and would like to see something like that brought down to Dana Point. She also states that she will be attending the symphony.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Jenkins announced that the *next regular* meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission will be held on Wednesday, June 19th, 2013, 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 was adjourned at 8:10pm.



Nancy Jenkins, Chairwoman
Arts and Culture Commission