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

April 14, 2021

City Council Chamber  
33282 Golden Lantern  
Dana Point, CA 92629

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**CALL TO ORDER** – Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Commissioner Small

**ROLL CALL** - Commissioners Present: Commissioner Banks, Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Small, and Vice-Chair Jenkins.

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Kelly Reenders, Assistant City Manager; DyAnne Weamire, Management Analyst

To view this meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QliJrU5-p68>

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ITEM 1:** Minutes of the Arts and Culture Commission Meeting of February 10, 2021.

**ACTION** Motion made (Small) and seconded (Banks) to approve the Minutes of the Arts and Culture Commission Meeting of February 10, 2020 with corrections. Motion Carried 4-0.

**AYES:** Commissioners Banks, Schnell, Small, and Jenkins.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

**B. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public Comments provided by Dana Yarger a Dana Point resident. Comments provided information and recap to the Commission and public regarding the Elephant Parade 2013 - 2014. Dana Point is being considered for a return to America this summer. World Elephant Day is August 12. If anyone is interested in learning more visit Mr. Yarger's two galleries on Del Prado in Dana Point.

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**C. OLD BUSINESS**

**ITEM 2: Utility Box Call for Artists – Status Update**

Staff member Reenders provided the Commission with an update.

The Utility Box Call for Artists is currently open. The City has distributed a press release, printed posters, and spread the word through social media posts.

**ITEM 3: City Council Foyer Art – Festival of Whales Display**

Staff member Reenders explained that the City ran a kid's art and literature contest in conjunction with the Festival of Whales. After receiving 26 entries from the students at RH Dana Elementary School, she considered that these artworks should live beyond the Festival of Whales and 8 of the 26 artworks were chosen for the Commission to consider framing and displaying in the City Council Chamber (handout provided).

Discussion ensued among the Commissioners.

**ACTION Motion made (Banks) and seconded (Schnell) to frame and display 8 chosen pieces of artwork submitted by the students of RH Dana Elementary School from the original 26 Festival of Whales entries, within the City Council Chamber foyer. Motion carried 4-0.**

**AYES:** Commissioners Banks, Schnell, Small, and Jenkins.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

**ITEM 4: Lantern Bay Park Stairs Artwork Subcommittee Report**

Commissioner Banks and Schnell provided an update on the Lantern Bay Park Stairs. Received input from other cities and Rick Stein of Arts OC, and met with two artists who have done mosaic artwork in Dana Point (handout provided). Subcommittee will continue to research budget, maintenance, safety, and type of materials to be used.

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**D. NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 5: Doheny Village Mural – Call for Artists**

Reenders reminded the Commission that the City Council has asked the Arts and Culture Commission to assist with some of the mural projects in Doheny Village. The mural project proposed at the corner of Doheny Park Road and Las Vegas Avenue at the U.S. Post Office building owned by Robert Chade. Funding would come from Doheny Village Capital Improvement Reserve Fund. Reenders asked the Commission to consider recommending a Call for Artists be developed to solicit proposals for the mural and a second action to form an ad-hoc sub-committee of two Commissioners, together with the building owner to evaluate proposals prior to going to City Council for recommendation.

Discussion ensued among the Commissioners.

**ACTION Motion made (Banks) and seconded (Jenkins) to recommend that the City develop a Call for Artists to solicit for the mural project on the corner of Doheny Park Road and Las Vegas Avenue at the U.S. Post Office building. Motion carried 4-0.**

**AYES:** Commissioners Banks, Schnell, Small, and Jenkins.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

**ACTION Motion made (Banks) and seconded (Jenkins) to form an ad-hoc subcommittee in concert with the building owner, to make the selection of the artist and recommendation to City Council. Motion carried 4-0.**

**AYES:** Commissioners Banks, Schnell, Small, and Jenkins.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

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**E. ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

**Commissioner Small:** Was great to have live music again during the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Festival of Whales event and an honor to play. Opportunity to participate on the Dana Point Civic Association Coffee Chat. Spoke about Music Preserves Foundation and a short update on the Arts & Culture Commission. Kelly Reenders will be on the Coffee Chat this Friday.

**Commissioner Banks:** Attended the Festival of Whales taking pictures of all the artwork. Will continue to work on the subcommittee work to be done.

**Commissioner Schnell:** Wanted to let everyone know about a new group in one of our neighboring cities called The Alliance for San Juan Art. It is a non-profit. Their mission is to get public art in the City. They do not have an Arts Commission or arts fund in the City. They would like to do a vinyl wrap on Utility Boxes as well. They've been doing short plays along the streets within San Juan. [www.Tasja.org](http://www.Tasja.org) Large goal of sculptures in their City. It would be nice to have them come talk at one of the Arts & Culture Commission meetings.

**Vice-Chair Jenkins:** Jenkins is on the board for the Historical Society and it was discussed at their monthly meeting there is a new website called [www.preserveorangecounty.org](http://www.preserveorangecounty.org) it is an interactive map with dots in the various communities. Dana Point has four dots and three of them are incorrect. This is of a historical nature. Dana Point has Waterman's Park Plaza, the RH Dana statue, the hide drogher, the bridge, and on the north end of Del Prado; the archway. Jenkins along with other Commissioners would like to contact them and identify the various historical art in Dana Point to be considered in this website.

**F: STAFF REPORT**

No Staff Report

**G: COMMISSIONER DISCUSSIONS**

**ACTION: Motion made (Jenkins) and seconded (Banks) to remove this item from the Agenda. Motion carried 4-0.**

**AYES:** Commissioners Banks, Schnell, Small, and Jenkins.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

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**H: ADJOURNMENT**

**Vice-Chair Jenkins** adjourned the meeting and announced the *next* regular meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 6:00pm held in the City Council Chamber located at 33282 Golden Lantern, Dana Point, California.

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.**

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Nancy Jenkins, Vice-Chair  
Arts and Culture Commission