

CITY OF DANA POINT

**ARTS AND
CULTURE
COMMISSION
MEETING**



**WEDNESDAY
APRIL 13, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

ACTION MINUTES

Location: City Council Chamber, 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point, California 92629

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Dana Point, California, was called to order by Chair Jenkins at 6:01 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 33282 Golden Lantern, Dana Point.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Wallin.

ROLL CALL OF ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Nancy Jenkins, Chair
Karin Schnell, Vice-Chair
Maria Elena Banks, Member
Ashley Keene, Member
Todd Wallin, Member

STAFF PRESENT: Kelly Reenders, Assistant City Manager; Matt Sinacori, Director of Public Works; Jaimie To, Management Analyst

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

Chair Jenkins announced that Item #2 – Lantern Bay Park Stairs Update will be moved to after Item #4 – Whale of a Kid's Art & Literature Contest Community Center Display.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 9, 2022 ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION MEETING

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BANKS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLIN THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2022 MEETING BE APPROVED.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Banks, Commissioner Keene, Commissioner Wallin, Chair Jenkins

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Vice-Chair Schnell

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. UTILITY BOX ARTWORK PROGRAM UPDATE

Staff Member To provided an update on the Utility Box Artwork Program. The final box of Phase 2 of the program has been completed. The box titled "Crashing Waves" by artist, Katie Powers, is located on Pacific Coast Highway and Monarch Bay Plaza. More information about the completed utility boxes can be found on the City's website. The Call for Artists for Phase 3 of the program opened on March 21st and the deadline to submit applications is May 20th. The Arts & Culture Commission will review applications and select winners at the next meeting on June 8th.

Discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS

4. WHALE OF A KID'S ART & LITERATURE CONTEST COMMUNITY CENTER DISPLAY

Staff Member To announced the winners of the Whale of a Kid's Art & Literature Contest and proposed to display the 48 art entries and 4 literature entries at the Dana Point Community Center.

Discussion ensued.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BANKS AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SCHNELL THAT THE WHALE OF A KID'S ART & LITERATURE CONTEST PARTICIPANTS' ARTWORK BE DISPLAYED AT THE DANA POINT COMMUNITY CENTER.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Banks, Commissioner Keene, Commissioner Wallin, Vice-Chair Schnell, Chair Jenkins

NOES: None

Items were heard out of numerical order to accommodate presenters.

6. DANA POINT ART FEST

Vice-Chair Schnell announced that the 7th Dana Point Art Fest is coming up on Sunday, June 5th from 10am-5pm on Del Prado Avenue from Violet Lantern to Amber Lantern where artists will have the opportunity to display their artwork on the street.

Discussion ensued.

7. DANA POINT PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL

Commissioner Keene provided a handout and project summary of the Dana Point Plein Air Invitational, which invites 100 artists to Dana Point for a week-long celebration of outdoor painting. At the end of the week, there will be an event to exhibit and auction off the artwork. There is no date for the event yet, but Commissioner Keene is proposing sometime in the summer or early fall.

Discussion ensued.

8. DANA DAYS: ART, MUSIC AND CULINARY EVENT

Commissioner Keene provided a handout and project summary of Dana Days, which will be a fusion of an art, music, and culinary experience, highlighting the culture of Dana Point. The event would be quarterly and have a different theme each quarter. The first theme would be “Endless Summer” highlighting surf culture in Dana Point. The second theme would be “Tis’ the Season,” designed to complement the holiday activities already going on in town. The proposed location would be on Del Prado and extend throughout the Lantern District, but also other locations through a “passport.” Commissioner Keene has also been collaborating with the Dana Point Entertainment Arts Council, Ryan Cueva of Cueva Entertainment, and the Pop-Up Shoppes on this event.

Discussion ensued.

9. DOHENY VILLAGE PUBLIC ART SCULPTURE

Staff Member Sinacori presented a public art sculpture that Jerry Lanksy, the welder in Doheny Village, is designing from reclaimed materials to be displayed at the end of the cul-de-sac on Las Vegas Avenue. Jerry’s vision is to create a piece of industrial art to beautify the area and has the support of the Doheny Village Beautification Committee.

Discussion ensued.

2. LANTERN BAY PARK STAIRS UPDATE

Staff Member Sinacori provided an update on the Lantern Bay Park Stairs project. He provided a tile sample to the Commissioners and discussed ways to protect the art as well as costs for the project, including railing and landscaping.

Discussion ensued.

10. ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Commissioner Wallin provided flyers to the Commissioners and announced that the Dana Point Entertainment Arts Council selected Chris Justice, a local Dana Point high school graduate, will have a residence in Dana Point for 3-4 months in a space that Raintree Partners has provided for the program. There will be an open reception on Saturday, April 23rd from 5pm-8pm and asks Commissioners if they have any recommendations for artists to rotate to continue the residency.

Discussion ensued.

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Commissioner Keene added that last time Todd mentioned about having an interactive art walk along the stairs and the original proposal was for Chris Justice to do paintings with a QR code to scan and learn about Dana Point's history. However, after speaking with Todd and Chris, the idea is to now expand it to take place all over Dana Point and include different artists as well.

Commissioner Wallin shared that the Dana Point Entertainment Arts Council is now fully funded and is receiving requests from donors. Commissioner Wallin also announced that he will be resigning from the Commission effective immediately and focus his time on the Dana Point Entertainment Arts Council. He thanked the Commissioners for the art education during his time on the Commission and will support art activities through the non-profit.

Vice-Chair Schnell stated that Arts Orange County put in their newsletter that public art in Orange County surpasses 1,000 works, which includes the new Doheny Village mural. Vice-Chair Schnell also wanted to highlight the City's Lookout Magazine and how great it is having Joyce Hoffman on the cover with an article about her. She also mentioned that the Dana Point Symphony's upcoming concert, Summer Pops, will be on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at 7:00pm at the Kaleidoscope in Mission Viejo.

Chair Jenkins shared that the Lord of the Strings who plays acoustic guitars have an upcoming event at Mission Viejo City Hall. Their first event is on April 30th.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff Member Reenders wanted to remind everyone that the REDO Market is coming up on May 1st on Del Prado.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Arts and Culture Commission at this session, Chair Jenkins announced the next regular meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission to be on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. held in the City Council Chamber and adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

NANCY JENKINS, CHAIR

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