CITY OF FOLSOM
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2022
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20, members of the Folsom Arts and Culture Commission and staff may participate in this meeting via teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Arts and Culture Commission meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Chair Maribel Wyatt presiding.

2. ROLL CALL:

Commission Members Present: Marc Allaman, Commissioner
Kat Bahry, Commissioner
John Hall, Commissioner
Shivesh Sinha, Commissioner
Lucinda Winward, Vice-Chair
Maribel Wyatt, Chair

Commission Members Absent: None

Staff Present/Speaking: Tom Hellmann, Community & Cultural Services Manager
Cindy Abraham, Recreation Art Specialist

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:

A. 2021 Folsom Arts and Culture Commission Certificate of Recognition

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, presented Kat Bahry with the 2021 Folsom Arts and Culture Commission Certificate of Recognition Award.

B. Oath of Office to the Newly Appointed Commission Member

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, administered the oath of office to newly appointed commission member Kat Bahry.
5. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. January 13, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commission Member Lucinda Winward, second by Commission Member Marc Allman to approve the minutes of January 13, 2022. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Hall, Sinha, Winward, Wyatt
NOES: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Public Art Donation

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, presented information regarding the request to donate Nautilus #2 by Gary “Geo” Graening. Staff recommends to not accept the donation due to inability to identify a location for this piece. Tom explained that he has put “Geo” in connection with a local developer, hoping they could partner in finding a place to display the art piece. The commission discussed at length the City of Folsom Art Donation Policy and how it applies to this donation.

Motion was made to not accept the donation at this time, but the commission would like to keep the discussion open for the possibility for future location and budgetary means. Motion by Commission Member Maribel Wyatt, second by Commission Member Lucinda Winward to not accept the Public Art Donation.

The motion was carried forward with the following roll call vote.

AYES: Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Hall, Sinha, Winward, Wyatt
NOES: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

B. Election of Vice-Chair

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, introduced the election of Vice-Chair and opened the discussion to the commissioners to nominate a Vice-Chair due to Sunny Mitchell’s resignation from the commission. Lucinda Winward recommended the nomination of Kat Bahry as Vice-Chair. Motion was made to approve the recommendation by Commissioner Wyatt.
Motion was carried forward with the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Allaman, Bahry, Hall, Sinha, Winward, Wyatt
NOES: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

   A. Percent for Public Art

Commissioner Allaman asked Tom Hellmann to bring this topic for discussion. Tom reviewed the background document on Percent for Public Art and encouraged the commission to read Attachment A in order to be familiar with the topic. Tom opened the discussion for Cynthia Abraham, Recreation Art Specialist, to discuss her knowledge on the guidelines and information in Attachment B Guidelines Regarding Permanent Artwork in Public Spaces. Cynthia shared her knowledge and history on this topic. The commission asked that this topic continue to be an agenda discussion item.

   B. Johnny Cash Trail Fundraising Strategies

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, updated the commission on the Johnny Cash Trail signs that have been placed at three locations, Cash’s Pick No.1, Cash’s Pick No. 2 and the JCT Donor Wall. Tom mentioned a PLS was submitted in the budget request to hire a consultant to help with larger corporate fundraising. Tom mentioned City staff is continuing to work with RRM Group on the Cash’s Pick No. 1 design. Tom asked the commission if they wanted to continue to have this item as a discussion item for future meetings. The commission asked that it continue to be on the agenda.

9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

   A. Gallery at 48 Natoma Exhibit

Cynthia Abraham, Recreation Art Specialist, encouraged the commission to come see the current exhibit Small Expressions if they have not done so. The Gallery at 48 Natoma exhibit postcard for the upcoming “Famous Faces” exhibit was distributed. Cynthia stated the exhibit will run from April 22 to June 30, 2022. Cynthia mentioned we are hoping to have a Gallery reception on Friday, April 22 with live music and refreshments.

   B. Manager’s Report

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, provided a written report to the commission. Tom noted that since his report was written, the City Council had created a subcommittee to evaluate/inventory available City properties and utilization of existing facilities.
Tom reviewed the remaining items on his written report and updated the commission on upcoming events.

C. City of Folsom Budget Update

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, gave a verbal update on the City of Folsom Budget.

10. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Marc Allaman commented thanked staff and new commissioners for being here. Expressed being fortunate to have Cindy and Tom on staff sharing the wealth of information.

Commissioner Kat Bahry commented she was honored and grateful for opportunity to be part of this commission and looks forward to working with people who are as passionate as she is about promoting and supporting the arts and culture in the community.

Commissioner John Hall had no comments.

Commissioner Shivesh Sinha commented, welcoming Kat Bahry. He expressed he was listening to the questions tonight and was glad for the pointers and educational opportunity.

Commissioner Lucinda Winward commented she concurred with the previous comments. She mentioned a previous discussion about the display of special education artwork. She and Cynthia Abraham agreed to discuss this together outside this meeting.

Commissioner Maribel Wyatt commented thanking everyone for the great conversation tonight and she learned a lot. She encouraged everyone to continue to use their voice and ears. She also welcomed Kat Bahry.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no more business brought before the Folsom Arts and Culture Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: ATTEST:

Dawn Klamm, Maribel Wyatt, Chair
Administrative Assistant
Parks and Recreation Department

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