CITY OF FOLSOM
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
MARCH 9, 2023
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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, Vice-Chair
Jacob Cantu, Commissioner
Chad Vander Veen, Commissioner
Lucinda Winward, Commissioner
Maribel Wyatt, Chair

Commission Members Absent: Shivesh Sinha, Commissioner

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:

A. 2022 Folsom Arts and Culture Commission Certificate of Recognition

Chair Maribel Wyatt along with Vice-Chair Kat Bahry presented the Folsom Arts and Culture Commission Certificates of Recognition awards to the two recipients of the award. Ritu Thirunahari was awarded the Individual Art Achievement Award and Theory Dance was awarded the Performing Arts Art Achievement Award.

5. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
A. February 9, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commission Member Marc Allaman, second by Commissioner Jacob Cantu to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2023. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Public Art Subcommittee

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann along with Commissioner Allaman presented a review of the Public Art Subcommittee meeting.

Notable action Marc Allaman agreed to chair the subcommittee. The commission members and staff discussed the purpose of the subcommittee as well as intended outcomes they are hoping to produce. Commissioner Allaman mentioned that in the meeting they discussed how to bring more awareness to the City Council and other stakeholders in the city about recognizing Public Art to be developed specifically in public places.

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A. Gallery at 48 Natoma Exhibit

Cynthia Abraham, Recreation Coordinator distributed postcards for the upcoming show titled, “Playful Pieces”. The Gallery at 48 Natoma exhibit for the upcoming show will run from April 14, 2023, through June 15, 2023.

B. Manager’s Report

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann, provided a written report to the commission. Tom reviewed the items on his written report and updated the commission on upcoming events.

9. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Marc Allaman congratulated Cindy Abraham on her full-time position stating it was well deserved. He mentioned he was at an event where Theory Dance was performed and how well executed it was and that the award was well deserved.
Commissioner Kat Bahry commented on how thrilling it was to see the recipients of tonight’s awards. She stated it’s more about hard work and growth than just the performing part. Commissioner Bahry also congratulated Cindy Abraham on the position. Commissioner Bahry mentioned the importance of the cultural aspect of arts and culture.

Commissioner Jacob Cantu congratulated Cindy Abraham on the position.

Commissioner Shivesh Sinha was absent.

Commissioner Chad Vander Veen inquired about who GROW was and where they are located. Tom Hellmann answered his questions about GROW. Commissioner Vander Veen mentioned the Leadership Folsom group and the Heart of Folsom project they are working on.

Commissioner Lucinda Winward had no comments.

Commissioner Maribel Wyatt congratulated Cindy Abraham on her position.

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no more business brought before the Folsom Arts and Culture Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

Dawn Klamm,
Administrative Assistant
Parks and Recreation Department

**ATTEST:**

Kat Bahry, Vice-Chair