

**CITY OF FOLSOM  
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
6:30 P.M. – JULY 8, 2021  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
50 NATOMA STREET  
[www.folsom.ca.us](http://www.folsom.ca.us)**

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1.     **CALL TO ORDER:**
2.     **ROLL CALL:** Commission Members: Allaman, Hall, Mitchell, Sinha, Winward, Wyatt
3.     **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4.     **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**  
*Members of the public are entitled to address the Commission concerning any item within the Folsom Commission's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to no more than three minutes. Except for certain specific exceptions, the Commission is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.*
5.     **SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:**  
A. Presentation of the Brown Act
6.     **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
A. May 13, 2021 Regular Meeting
7.     **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**  
A. Johnny Cash Trail Fundraising Strategies
8.     **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**  
A. Update on the Art Center Programming  
B. Art Gallery Exhibit – “Body of Work” (verbal)  
C. Manager’s Report

**9. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:**

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

*Notice: Members of the Public are entitled to directly address the Commission concerning any item that is described in the notice of this meeting, before or during consideration of that item. If you wish to address the Commission on an issue, which is on this agenda, please raise your hand and when your name is called, you may unmute and be recognized by the Chairperson and then proceed to speak. If you wish to address the Commission on any other item of interest to the public, when the Chairperson asks if there is any “**Business from the Floor**,” follow the same procedure as described above. Please limit your comments to three minutes or less.*

*As presiding officer, the Chairperson has the authority to preserve order at all Arts & Culture Commission meetings, to remove or cause the removal of any person from any such meeting for disorderly conduct, or for making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks, using profanity, or becoming boisterous, threatening or personally abusive while addressing said Commission, and to enforce the rules of the Commission.*

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*Any documents produced by the City and distributed to the Arts & Culture Commission regarding any item on this agenda will be made available at the Parks & Recreation Department at 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, California during normal business hours.*

**CITY OF FOLSOM  
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021  
REGULAR 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 6:34 p.m. with Chair Maribel Wyatt presiding.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

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

Commission Members Absent:

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. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

None

**5. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:**

None

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. March 11, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commission Member Marc Allaman, second by Commission Member Sunny Mitchell to approve the minutes of March 11, 2021. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES:              Commissioner(s): Allaman, Hall, Mitchell, Sinha, Winward, Wyatt

NOES: Commissioner(s): None  
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None  
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s): None

## **7. ACTION ITEMS:**

None

## **8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

### **A. Update on the Johnny Cash Trail Art Experience – Verbal Report**

Tom Hellmann provided an update to the project and shared that an agreement with Adan Romo, artist has been approved and executed for him to proceed with the fabrication of Cash's Pick No. 1. It is estimated that the fabrication could take between 6 months and 9 months to complete. We continue to look for funding options for the art experiences through donations as no general fund money is provided to the art experiences.

### **B. Art Center and Gallery at 48 Natoma Update**

Cindy Abraham, Recreation Art Specialist shared that limited art classes are being offered and that many more classes are in development to be provided to residents in June. Find more details in our May/June issue of the digital Rec Guide that can be found on the City's website. Additionally, the gallery showing is going well and a few pieces of art have been sold and visitors are enjoying being able to tour the gallery. Starting on Monday, May 17 the gallery can be toured Monday-Friday between 9am-3pm.

### **C. Manager's Report**

Community and Cultural Services Manager, Tom Hellmann recommended that the commissioners review the City Council meeting videos from April 27 on the presentation of unfunded parks as well as the May 11 presentation on the Cities budget. He also shared that planning is underway to host in-person Summer of Music concerts this June and July. Staff is submitting a proposal plan to Sacramento County very soon. Tom shared that damage was discovered to the Rockin' River sculpture in front of 48 Natoma and that staff has contacted an art conservator to review and provide a scope of work estimate to us for repairs. Also, a new public art piece titled, Shell of Thrones was installed at the Steve Miklos Aquatics Center that will be available to guests who come and swim at the aquatics center as it is located next to the activity pool.

## **9. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner John Hall had no comments at this time.

Commissioner Sunny Mitchell had no comments at this time

Commissioner Lucinda Winward asked some follow up questions regarding the Arts & Culture Master Plan, as well as how the commission could help with the Johnny Cash Trail Art Experience.

Commissioner Maribel Wyatt had no comments at this time.

Commissioner Marc Allaman had no comments at this time.

Commissioner Shivesh Sinha had no comments at this time.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no more business brought before the Folsom Arts and Culture Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

ATTEST:

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Tom Hellmann,  
Community & Cultural Services Manager

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Maribel Wyatt, Chair

**INFORMATION ITEM 8A**  
Arts and Culture Commission  
July 8, 2021

**TO:** Arts and Culture Commission  
**FROM:** Tom Hellmann, Community and Cultural Services Manager  
**BY:** Cindy Abraham, Art Specialist  
**SUBJECT:** Update on the Art Center Programming

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On May 15, 2020, the Folsom Art Center and Gallery at 48 Natoma were officially closed as part of the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. All art classes that were in session were cancelled and refunds of approximately \$10,000 issued to students. Future programming was frozen. All 27 art classes that were typically held every week were cancelled, and their contracted art instructors put on hold. Arts Specialist, Cindy Abraham, prepared an extensive reopening plan that addressed all current restrictions. Details included reducing class sizes, reducing the number of classes to only one per day, installing Plexiglass desk shields, physical distancing of desks and equipment and daily room cleaning amongst mandatory masks wearing, etc.

In January, staff returned to the front desk to provide customer assistance. The facility was open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The reopening plan was submitted and approved by Sacramento County Public Health Department which allowed the Art Center to open for additional programs and classes in May of 2021.

**PROGRAMMING UPDATE**

Beginning in April, adult art classes at the Art Center reconvened with, three levels of drawing, painting classes in oils, acrylics and watercolor, ceramics, and pottery for a total of 12 art classes in the center each week. Several recreation children's camps also were held.

On June 15, 2021, the State of California reopened the economy and eliminated the Blueprint for a Safer Economy tier system that provided guidance on the types of activities we provide. Increased community vaccinations allowed vaccinated members of the public to not be required to wear masks indoors and additional art classes were added to the schedule. We are continuing to evaluate the addition of other activities and programs that could also return with available resources, time, and space.

Moving into July, the art programs included additional classes in ceramics, Chinese brush painting, photography, and monthly artist demos and open studio with the Folsom Arts Association. Programming into the Fall will expand to add more evening photography, portrait drawing and a new pottery class for teens.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Information only. No action required.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM 8C**

Arts and Culture Commission

July 8, 2021

**TO:** Arts and Culture Commission

**FROM:** Tom Hellmann, Community & Cultural Services Manager

**SUBJECT: MANAGER'S REPORT**

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**Recap/Upcoming City Council Meetings:**

June 22, 2021

- Presentation to celebrate July 2021 as Parks Make Life Better month
  - Received by the Sierra Marlins Swim Team who had swimmers compete at the U.S. Olympic Swim Trials
- Rejected all bids for short term lease at 405 Natoma Station Drive
  - Directed staff to reissue an RFP

July 13, 2021

- Consideration of Expenditures of Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act and Direction to Staff

**Upcoming Events:**

- July 9 & 23: Summer of Music Concert Series
  - July 9- Bobby Zoppi & the Corduroys
  - Dad's Impala
- August 13: Summer of Music Concert Series
  - Innersoul Band
- September 18: Folsom Community Service Day
- September 24: Folsom Mayor's Cup Golf Tournament
  - Benefiting our Teen Services and CAVE programs

**Programs and Services**

- Summer Camps Continue:
  - Vacation Zone
  - Sports Camps
  - Specialty Camps
- Senior Services:
  - Lounge Activities began this week
  - Additional activities being developed with resources available
- Repairs on the Rock'n River sculpture that is located on the grass in front of 48 Natoma, will begin shortly as materials were delivered to the art conservator which will allow him to make the necessary repairs.