



MINUTES

MEETING OF THE Arts and Culture Commission

Monday, February 22, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
This meeting was held via teleconference.

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CONVENE REGULAR MEETING Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

- 1. ROLL CALL – Present:** Chair Cooper, Vice Chair Washington. Member Gager, Member Helion, Member Nichols, Member Wiens. **Absent:** None
- 2. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS**
Chair Cooper reminded everyone the opportunity to join the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce and the Contra Costa Civic Theatre in a roundtable discussion of the arts in El Cerrito. She announced Commissioner Cazden has resigned and the El Cerrito Library signage project is completed.

Staff Liaison Alex Orologas reported on upcoming web conference platform transition and provided updates on Utility Boxes Program. She also announced the reappointments of Members Gager, Nichols, and Vice Chair Washington.

- 3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
None.

- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved/Second: Member Nichols/Member Wiens **Action:** Motion to Approve January 25, 2021 meeting minutes.

Ayes: Chair Cooper; Vice Chair Washington, Members Gager, Helion, Nichols, and Wiens. **Noes:** None.

Action: Approved minutes.

- 5. PARK AND RECREATION COLLABORATION**

Member Helion reported the collaboration efforts have not been successful and suggested to put the collaboration on hold.

Staff Liaison Orologas offered a few options regarding collaboration and for the future of the subcommittee.

- 6. WORKPLAN DISCUSSION**

Staff Liaison Orologas presented the item and Commissioners discussed the current state of the ACC Work Plan and some ideas for new art projects. The

Commission asked for this item to be on the next agenda under possible action in order to create a subcommittee to discuss a possible set-aside for larger projects and a cap on the mini-grant program.

7. UPCOMING ACC-SPONSORED EVENTS

Chair Cooper suggested some possible events for Arts Month in October. Vice Chair Washington suggested hosting virtual events is also an option. Chair Cooper requested that October Arts Month be added to the next agenda under Upcoming ACC-Sponsored Events.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. Community Outreach Subcommittee (Cazden, Gager, Washington)
- b. Recreation Liaison Subcommittee (Cazden, Cooper, Helion)
- c. Visual Arts Subcommittee (Cooper, Helion, Nichols)

Vice Chair Washington from Community Outreach Subcommittee reported that Member Cazden has resigned.

Chair Cooper and Member Helion stated that they had provided a detailed update under Agenda Item #5 re: Recreation Liaison Subcommittee.

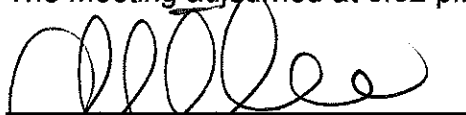
Chair Cooper reported that the Visual Arts Subcommittee has completed the signage project and will be working on two additional projects, Story Walk and Rooftop Mural, with the El Cerrito Library

9. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Additional discussion, event planning, and possible actions. Election of new chair and vice chair.

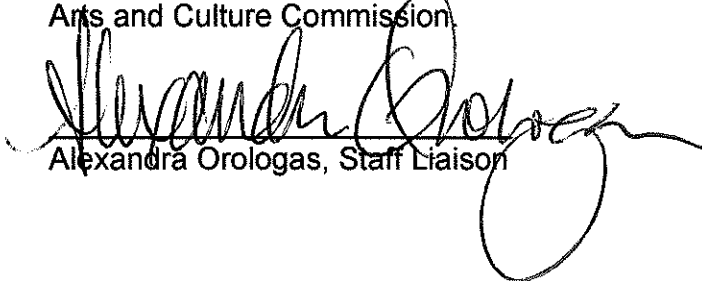
10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



Allison Cooper, Chair

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Arts and Culture Commission meeting of February 22, 2021 as approved by the Arts and Culture Commission.



Alexandra Orologas, Staff Liaison