



## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION

Monday, October 25, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

#### Staff Liaison

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#### VIA TELECONFERENCE

1. **ROLL CALL – CONVENE REGULAR MEETING** Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **Present:** Chair Cooper, Vice-Chair Blake Washington; Members: George Gager, Courtney Helion, Bill Nichols, Alan Pavlosky; **Absent:** Member Wiens (excused).
  
2. **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, COUNCIL LIAISON AND STAFF LIAISON REPORTS**

Member Nichols reported the Utility Box Art Tour he provided during the East Bay Senior Stroll. Both Mayor Fadelli and Councilmember Rudnick attended the Stroll and offered their ideas on future ACC programs.

Chair Cooper explained that the Utility Box Art Call for Artists (CFA) is on hold until January given City staff capacity, the ECCRU program and to avoid the rainy reason.

Staff Liaison Orologas offered an additional explanation regarding the ECCRU Program timeline, and that Utility Box Art CFA would be on the agenda in early 2021. She stated that the CFA for ECCRU Program was released on October 13, 2021 and encouraged everyone to reach out to anyone who might be interested in applying. The application deadline is November 19, 2021. She also provided Covid-19 updates specifically on indoor mask wearing requirement.
  
3. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Buddy Akacić – expressed his appreciation and praised Member Nichols for the Utility Box Art Tour he provided during the Senior Stroll.
  
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Moved/Second:** Member Pavlosky/Member Nichols **Action:** Motion to approve September 27, 2021, meeting minutes. **Ayes:** Vice Chair Washington; Members Gager, Helion, Nichols, and Pavlosky **Abstain:** Chair Cooper **Noes:** None.  
Minutes approved.
  
5. **AD-HOC SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**
  - a. Workplan & Mini Grant Subcommittee (Cooper, Helion, Washington) – Workplan update reported in agenda item #6.
  - b. Long-Term Vision/Sustainability Subcommittee (Gager, Nichols, Wiens) – Member Nichols reported the long-term vision that will be contained in the report would include such projects/goals as the on-going Utility Box Art Program and having the ACC using public art funds to commission a high

value art piece(s). The subcommittee stated they would provide a final report in the December meeting but would try to present a draft report in the November meeting.

- c. Community Outreach & Marketing Subcommittee (Gager, Washington, Wiens) – Vice Chair Washington reported that they would be able to prepare a final report for the November meeting.
- d. Artist Engagement Subcommittee (Helion, Nichols, Pavlosky) – Member Helion shared a draft report to finalize in the November meeting.
- e. Chalk Festival Subcommittee (Gager, Pavlosky, Wiens) – Member Pavlosky reported that due to the weather condition, the event was cancelled. The subcommittee was dissolved until the event is rescheduled in 2022.

**6. WORKPLAN**

**Moved/Second:** Chair Cooper/Member Nichols **Action:** Motion to approve Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Work Plan. **Ayes:** Chair Cooper, Vice Chair Washington; Members Gager, Helion, Nichols, and Pavlosky. **Noes:** None. Motion approved.

**7. UPCOMING ACC-SPONSORED EVENTS**

None.

**8. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Developer presentation, Mini Grant rubric, Longer-term/Sustainability Subcommittee report, Community Outreach & Marketing Subcommittee report, Artist Engagement Subcommittee report.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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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 October 25, 2021, as approved by the Arts and Culture Commission.

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Alexandra Orologas, Staff Liaison