



CITY OF MERCED

Merced Civic Center
678 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

Minutes

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission

Thursday, March 14, 2019

3:00 PM

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair DENNIS called the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission to order at 3:04 PM.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Chairperson Colton Dennis, Dob Francise, Rob Hypes, Monika Modest, Monika Saini and Vice Chair Diana Odom Gunn

Absent: 0

Present Ex-Officio Members:

Kim GARNER

Anthony MARTINEZ (Arrived at 3:14 PM)

Patricia PRATT (Arrived at 3:07 PM)

Absent Ex-Officio Memebrs:

Harley HERMOSILLO

Clerk's Note: Commissioner MODEST arrived to the meeting at 3:46 PM.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

5.1. **SUBJECT:** Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Minutes of February 8, 2019

REPORT IN BRIEF

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Minutes from the meeting of

February 8, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion approving and filing the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission minutes of February 8, 2019.

A motion was made by Member Hypes, seconded by Member Odom Gunn, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Dennis
Member Francise
Member Hypes
Member Saini
Vice Chair Odom Gunn

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Member Modest

6. REPORTS

6.1. **SUBJECT:** City of Merced Entry Signs

REPORT IN BRIEF

Discuss options for the City of Merced entry signs.

RECOMMENDATION

Provide a formal recommendation to City Council for next steps on entry signs.

City Manager Steve CARRIGAN gave a slide show presentation on the City of Merced Entry Signs.

Commissioners, Ex-Officio Members, and Mr. CARRIGAN discussed the entry signs options and made suggestions.

Michael BELLUOMINI, Merced - spoke on the City's entry sign contest and the City's slogan.

6.2. **SUBJECT:** Discussion on the List of Public Art in the City of Merced and possible next steps to Develop an Official Public Art Inventory for the City of Merced

REPORT IN BRIEF

Discuss the list of public art in the City of Merced and next steps to develop an official public art inventory for the City of Merced.

RECOMMENDATION

Provide direction on next steps to develop an official public art inventory for the City of Merced.

Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ gave a slide show presentation on the List of Public Art in the City of Merced and possible next steps to develop an Official Public Art Inventory for the City of Merced.

Commissioners and Ms. DIETZ discussed walking tours of districts and creating an art map.

Clerk's Note: An Ad-Hoc Committee for Public Art inventory was developed with Commissioner FRANCISE, Commissioner MODEST, Ex-Officio Member PRATT, and Ex-Officio GARNER being part of the committee.

7. BUSINESS

7.1.

SUBJECT: Adoption of an Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Mission Statement

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers the adoption of the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission draft Mission Statement.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion approving the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Mission Statement.

Assistant to the City Manager Mike CONWAY presented the draft mission statement for Commissioner's review.

Commissioners, Ex-Officio Members, and staff discussed simplifying the mission statement and made revisions.

A motion was made by Member Francise, seconded by Member Modest, to have staff bring back the revised Mission Statement to the April 18th Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Dennis
Member Francise
Member Hypes
Member Modest
Member Saini
Vice Chair Odom Gunn

No: 0

Absent: 0

7.2. **SUBJECT:** Discussion on Changing the Day and Time of the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission

REPORT IN BRIEF

Discuss changing the day and time of the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

Provide direction to staff to make the revisions to the Ordinance regarding the meeting time and date.

Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ briefly discussed the process of changing the day and time of the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission meetings.

Commissioners agreeded to change the day and time of the meetings to the third Thursdays of every odd numbered month at 4:00 PM and directed staff to make those revisions to the Ordinance.

7.3. **SUBJECT:** Arts and Culture Advisory Commission to Set FY 2019/20 Goals and Priorities

REPORT IN BRIEF

Discuss the Goals and Priorities for the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission for FY 2019/20.

RECOMMENDATION

Provide staff direction on Goals and Priorities for FY 2019/20.

Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ gave a presentation on setting the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission FY 2019/20 Goals and Priorities.

Commissioners and Ex-Officio Members discussed and revised their goals and priorities list.

Eric MOORE, Merced - spoke on grants and how it ties in with projects.

Clerk's Note: This item will be brought back to the April 18, 2019 meeting to be approved.

7.4. **SUBJECT:** Discussion on Current Projects

REPORT IN BRIEF

Discuss the current projects that the Commission has had Staff work on.

RECOMMENDATION

Information-Only.

Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ gave a brief update on the current projects that the Commission has had Staff work on.

Commissioner MODEST and Ms. DIETZ discussed using grant money to maintain art and the Bob Hart Square lettering.

Commissioners, Ex-Officio Members, and Ms. DIETZ discussed a citywide events calendar.

7.5. Request to Add Item to Future Agenda/Commissioner Comments

Ex-Officio Member PRATT spoke about the World Justice Summit event and the Ceasar Chavez March event.

Commissioner MODEST spoke on the Starry Night Homeless project.

Ex-Officio Member GARNER reported on attending Arts Week at UC Merced.

Chair DENNIS spoke on the County Courthouse Museum Yosemite exhibit, a new Artistic Director at the Playhouse Merced, the Women in Art event, a new creative collective play, the Art Hop April event, and Kid's Day at the Multicultural Art Center.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: The Arts and Culture Advisory Commission meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.

A motion was made by Member Francise, seconded by Member Hypes, to adjourn the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Dennis
Member Francise
Member Hypes
Member Modest
Member Saini
Vice Chair Odom Gunn

No: 0

Absent: 0