



CITY OF MERCED

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

Minutes

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission

Thursday, October 17, 2019

4:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair DENNIS called the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Special Meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Present Ex-Officio Members:

Kim GARNER
Anthony MARTINEZ

Absent Ex-Officio Members:

Harley HERMOSILLO
Patricia PRATT

Clerk's Note: Ex-Officio Member MARTINEZ arrived at 4:39 PM.

Present: 5 - Chairperson Colton Dennis, Dob Francise, Monika Modest, Vice Chair Diana Odom Gunn and Maria Del Zaragoza

Absent: 2 - Rob Hypes and Monika Saini

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Karla SEIJAS, Merced - introduced herself and stated she was observing the meeting for a class.

Angelica GARCIA, Merced - introduced herself and stated she was observing the meeting for a class.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

E.1. **SUBJECT:** Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Minutes of September 19, 2019

REPORT IN BRIEF

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Minutes from the meeting of

September 19, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission - Adopt a motion approving and filing the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission minutes of September 19, 2019.

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

Aye: 5 - Dennis
Member Francise
Member Modest
Vice Chair Odom Gunn
Member Del Zaragoza

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Member Hypes
Member Saini

F. REPORTS

F.1.

SUBJECT: Update on the Official Public Art Inventory

REPORT IN BRIEF

Update on the official list of public art inventory.

RECOMMENDATION

For Information - Only

Senior Management Analyst Mike CONWAY gave a slide show presentation updating the Commission on the Art Inventory.

Ex-Officio Member GARNER discussed holding a sub-committee meeting to refine the locations of the art pieces.

Chair DENNIS and Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ discussed bringing a final report to the Commission for approval.

Clerks's Note: This was an information-only item.

F.2.

SUBJECT: Update on the Cost of the Art Maintenance for the G Street Underpass and Bob Hart Square Art Pieces

REPORT IN BRIEF

Staff will give an update on the total cost of the Art Maintenance for the G Street Underpass and the cement staining on the Bob Hart Square

lettering.

RECOMMENDATION

For Information-Only.

Tax Services Manager Carl BROWN gave a slide show presentation updating the Commission on the cost breakdown for the G Street Undercrossing maintenance and the staining of the Bob Hart Square letters.

Commissioners and staff discussed the remaining grant funds.

Clerk's Note: This was an information-only item.

G. BUSINESS

G.1.

SUBJECT: Discussion on Establishing an Arts and Culture Policy

REPORT IN BRIEF

Discussion on creating and establishing an Arts and Culture Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

Direct Staff on the next steps in establishing an Arts and Culture Policy.

Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ briefly discussed policies and suggested creating a sub-committee.

Commissioners and Ms. DIETZ discussed developing policies to facilitate the process to place art in the City, removing art pieces, and involving other organizations.

A motion was made by Member Francise, seconded by Member Modest, to establish a sub-committee with Members Dennis, Modest, and Gunn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Dennis
Member Francise
Member Modest
Vice Chair Odom Gunn
Member Del Zaragoza

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Member Hypes
Member Saini

G.2.

SUBJECT: Request to Add Item to Future Agenda

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of the Boards and Commission the opportunity to request that an item be placed on a future Commission agenda for initial consideration by the Commission.

No items were added.

G.3.

SUBJECT: Commission Comments

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides an opportunity for the Chair and/or Member(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the Commission and to make a brief announcement on future community events and/or activities. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body under this section.

Chair DENNIS spoke on upcoming events and encouraged everyone to attend.

Ex-Officio Member GARNER spoke on an upcoming event and encouraged everyone to attend.

Clerk's Note: Commission agreed to not hold a meeting in December due to the holidays.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: The Special Meeting adjourned at 4:54 PM.

A motion was made by Member Francise, seconded by Chairperson Dennis, to adjourned the Special Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Dennis
Member Francise
Member Modest
Vice Chair Odom Gunn
Member Del Zaragoza

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Member Hypes
Member Saini