



MINUTES
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
MEETING
Thursday, April 21, 2022
Council chamber & Virtual
7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Participating: Hsinya Shen, Lisa Waltuch, Ben Miyaji

Commissioners Absent: Nia Taylor, Loren Gordon

City Council Participating: none

Staff Present: Elise DeMarzo Public Art Program Director
Nadya Chuprina, Public Art Program Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER – Commissioner Miyaji called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS – None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – Community member Mark Weiss address the Commissioners.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES - PAC Regular Meeting March 17, 2022 **Moved:** Commissioner Shen,
Second: Waltuch. **All in Favor.**

STAFF COMMENTS – Staff provided a summary of the ongoing community engagement by Rayos Magos with King Artist Residency. Magos led a number of community art making workshops in his temporary studio at Cubberley. Staff updated the Commissioners on the status of the ArtLift Microgrant artist selection process. Staff also updated the PAC on the conclusion of pad renovation work for permanently installed artworks Albuquerque and Movement IV. Additionally, staff announced the launch of the call for artists for subsidized by the City artist studios with CASP for the 2023-26 term.

ACTION:

1. **Adoption of Resolution** – Commissioners reviewed the resolution authorizing the use of teleconferencing for the Public Art Commission meetings during Covid-19 state of emergency. On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361, a bill that amends the Brown Act, effective October 1, 2021, to allow local policy bodies to continue to meet by teleconferencing during a state of emergency without complying with restrictions in State law that would otherwise apply, provided that the policy bodies make certain findings at least once every 30 days. **Moved:** Commissioner Shen moved to approve the resolution authorizing the use of teleconferencing for the Public Art Commission meetings. **Second:** Commissioner Waltuch. **All in Favor.**

NON-ACTION ITEM:

2. **Castilleja School** – Initial review of public art in private development for the Castilleja School development project. Nanci Kauffman of Castilleja School provided an overview of the project. Kathy Layendecker presented the campus overlay construction plan, project objectives, estimated art budget of \$850,000, and construction project timeline. The presenters also talked the Commissioners through the approval process, including public hearings and input to date and shared a video walkthrough of the campus to gather PAC’s feedback about appropriate sites and themes for the integration of public art. While there was some support for the Embarcadero Road corner, the PAC had a more in-depth conversation about art integrated into the site. Commissioners reviewed the submitted packet and provided initial recommendations to consider public accessibility when thinking about suitable locations for the placement of artwork(s), thematic approach to artworks, community engagement during the design development process. Commissioners requested that the Castilleja School staff comes back to the PAC in Summer 2022 for an interim review when they have an art consultant and a better formulated art plan and theme in place. Community members Mark Weiss, Rebecca Eisenberg, Barbara Gross, and Eva Gabrielo addressed the Commission in relation to the discussion item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Staff updated the PAC about the upcoming City Council Meeting on Monday, April 25 to review and approve the PAC 2022/23 Work Plan.

CALENDAR: Next PAC Regular Meeting – May 19 at 7 pm (hybrid) at City Hall Council Chambers.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:08 pm by Commissioner Miyaji.