

MINUTES

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

MEETING

Thursday, June 17, 2021 Virtual teleconference via Zoom 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Ben Miyaji, Loren Gordon, Nia Taylor, Ian Klaus, Lisa

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Commissioners Absent: Hsinya Shen

Staff Present: Elise DeMarzo, Public Art Program Director

Nadya Chuprina, Public Art Program Coordinator

Joseph Saxe, Public Art Project Manager

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

AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS – None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - PAC Regular Meeting Minutes May 20, 2021, Moved: Commissioner Miyaji, Second: Vice Chair Gordon. All in Favor

STAFF COMMENTS - Staff updated the Commission on the recently commenced ArtLift Microgrant projects. Staff also updated the Commission on the updated list of the first round of finalists to create temporary murals for a construction fence around the new Public Safety Building. The installation of murals is tentatively scheduled for mid-August. Staff also announced that the King Artist Residency call is ready to launch later in June.

ACTION:

1. **Highway 101 Bike Bridge Artwork** – Staff made a presentation on the status of the artwork by Mary Lucking. Staff provided an overall timeline for the entire construction project, explained a rationale for the budget increase including the pandemic, construction delays, and increased costs for fabrication and raw materials. Staff requested that the Commission approve the allocation of additional funds in the amount of up to \$43,400 for the completion of the project. Moved: Commissioner Miyaji made a motion to approve the allocation of funds. Second: Vice Chair Gordon, All in Favor.

NON-ACTION:

2. Code: ART2 – Staff provided an update on the status of the October 7-9 event and led discussion regarding ways the Commission may assist. Staff shared visuals, conceptual descriptions, and

proposed locations of seven Code:ART installations. Commissioners expressed enthusiasm in supporting for the event in various ways, including reaching out to downtown businesses to facilitate community partnerships, coordinating volunteer efforts, and leading public tours during the event. Commissioners recommended having a detailed discussion and planning session to create ad-hoc committees during the upcoming annual PAC retreat. Staff will coordinate optional dates in August for the PAC Retreat.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Chair Taylor and Commissioner Miyaji shared with the Commissioners their attendance of the AFTA conference. Vice Chair Gordon thanked former Chair Miyaji for his dedicated service as Chair of the Commission.

CALENDAR: Next PAC Regular Meeting – July 15, 2021 at 7 pm via Zoom.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:01 pm by Chair Taylor.