

**CITY OF SAN LEANDRO
ARTS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, SISTER CITIES GALLERY ROOM**

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

PRESENT

Chair Pershing, Vice-Chair Gonchar, Commissioners Edwards, Guillory, and Herrera
Secretary Brandt [At Large-Vacant, D3-Vacant]

ABSENT

Commissioners Breslin and Wong
At Large – VACANT
District 3 – VACANT

GUESTS

Chris Zapata, City Manager
Evelyn Gonzalez, SLUSD School Board
Kathy Ries, San Leandro Art Association
Dominic LiMandri, San Leandro Improvement Association
Dana Chohlis EdD, Molly Dolly, Ana Marie Rodriguez, Maria Penaranda, Milly Brooks, Jan Behr, and Kenna Allen

APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF APRIL 12, 2017

MSC (Gonchar/Herrera to approve the agenda as submitted. (5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 2 Vacant)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 11, 2017

MSC (Gonchar/Herrera) to approve the minutes as submitted. (5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 2 Vacant)

GUEST PRESENTATION

- A. Chris Zapata, City Manager, presented to the Commission on the City's budget and potential funding sources for the Arts. He reminded the Commission that the City is expecting the new revenue measures NN, OO, and PP to begin producing revenue in the next few years. The new revenue will be designated towards human services and the arts. The City Manager indicated that the City Council was interested in designating some general fund dollars towards the arts in the upcoming FY2017-19 Biennial Budget. He thanked the Commission for their service.
- B. Evelyn Gonzalez serves as a Cherry Festival Parade volunteer. Evelyn informed the Commission of the art-themed float for the Mayor in the 2017 Cherry Festival Parade. Following the parade, the décor of the float will be relocated to an "art booth" at the festival. The Commissioners were invited to volunteer in the art booth for the duration of the festival.
- C. Kathy Ries reviewed the Arts Association Grant Proposal. The Arts Association is seeking \$3,000 in grant funding for the upcoming fiscal year. The Commission decided to table this funding request until the Arts Master Plan has been reviewed and minimum grant requirements and funding parameters are in place. MSC (Gonchar/Edwards) to table this request. (5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 2 Vacant)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Evelyn Gonzalez requested that the Arts Commission consider a pilot street performer program for the City of San Leandro.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORAL REPORT OF SECRETARY

- A. Secretary Brandt welcomed newly appointed Commissioner Terry Guillory, representing District 6.
- B. Secretary Brandt reviewed the process for reviewing the Key Recommendations and the DRAFT Public Art Master Plan in May. After review by the Arts Commission, the DRAFT will be moved forward to City Council tentatively in June.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Dominic LiMandri of the San Leandro Improvement Association (SLIA) reviewed the mosaic planters that SLIA is proposing for the Downtown. The planters have been designed through a partnership with Stepping Stones. MSC (Guillory/Herrera) to approve the plan for mosaic planters as submitted. (5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 2 Vacant)
- B. The Arts Commission will schedule a special meeting in May to hear the Key Recommendations and the DRAFT Public Art Master Plan from consultant Gail Goldman. MSC (Gonchar/Edwards) to schedule a special meeting for May 3, 2017 in lieu of the regularly scheduled May meeting. (5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 2 Vacant)

REPORT OF CHAIR

Chair Pershing shared information with the Commission on the upcoming show of Roy DeForest at the Oakland Museum from April 29 through August.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

- A. Commissioner Gonchar would like to refer the grant proposal from the San Leandro Arts Council back to the City Manager's Office for potential funding outside the authority of the Arts Commission, since standards and parameters have not been established.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC (Herrera/Edwards) to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. (5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 2 Vacant)

Respectfully submitted,

Breyana Brandt, Secretary