

City of Pomona

Cultural Arts Commission

Action Minutes

Chairperson Dianna Batts
Vice-Chairperson Joshua Swodeck
Commissioner Dalet Ramos
Commissioner Jovani Esparza
Vacant Seat
Commissioner Venita Reynolds
Commissioner Sophia Siqueiros

July 24, 2023 5:30 PM Palomares Park Community Center

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dianna Batts called the Cultural Arts Commission meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. in the Palomares Park Community Center located at 499 E. Arrow Highway.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Batts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Dianna Batts

Vice-Chairperson Joshua Swodeck

Commissioner Dalet Ramos Commissioner Jovani Esparza Commissioner Sophia Siqueiros

Absent: Commissioner Venita Reynolds

Staff Present: Anita D. Gutierrez, Development Services Director

Ata Khan, Planning Manager Jocelyn Ayala, Arts Coordinator

Rene Guerrero, Director of Public Works

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the June 26, 2023 Cultural Arts Commission Meeting Draft Action Minutes

A motion by Vice-Chairperson Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Ramos, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present (5-0-0-1) to approve the Action Minutes meeting of June 26, 2023.

Chairperson Dianna Batts – yes; Vice-Chairperson Joshua Swodeck – yes; Commissioner Dalet Ramos – yes; Commissioner Esparza – yes; Commissioner Reynolds – absent; Commissioner Sigueiros– yes.

IN OPPOSITION: None

IN SUPPORT: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 1 minute (5:43 p.m. to 5:44 p.m.)

PUBLIC HEARING

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Recommendation to Approve Various Public Art Applications

A motion by Vice-Chairperson Joshua Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Siqueiros, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present (5-0-0-1) to approve resolution approving various permanent and temporary art applications from the Call for Visual Art 2022.

Chairperson Dianna Batts – yes; Vice-Chairperson Joshua Swodeck – yes; Commissioner Dalet Ramos – yes; Commissioner Esparza – yes; Commissioner Reynolds – absent; Commissioner Siqueiros – yes.

IN OPPOSITION: None

IN SUPPORT: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 2 minutes (5:45 p.m. to 5:47 p.m.)

2. Call for Visual Art 2022 Update

A motion by Commissioner Esparza, seconded by Commissioner Ramos, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present (5-0-0-1) to deny the outstanding technical assistance application (Keena Azania) and officially close the Call for Visual Art 2022.

Chairperson Dianna Batts – yes; Vice-Chairperson Joshua Swodeck – yes; Commissioner Dalet Ramos – yes; Commissioner Esparza – yes; Commissioner Reynolds – absent; Commissioner Siqueiros – yes.

IN OPPOSITION: None

IN SUPPORT: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 4 minutes (5:48 p.m. to 5:52 p.m.)

3. Update on 2020-2025 Action Plan

Discussion only, no action taken.

IN OPPOSITION: None

IN SUPPORT: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 33 minutes (5:53 p.m. to 6:26 p.m.)

4. Update on Investment Priority List

The Commission agreed to prioritize the Civic Center Plaza, Garey Underpass and Hamilton Park project.

Discussion only, no action taken.

IN OPPOSITION: None

IN SUPPORT: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 33 minutes (6:27 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)

STAFF COMMUNICATION

Planning Manager Khan stated that staff is bringing forward the AIPP Manual Update to address the Citizens Advisory Committee to City Council on August 21, 2023. He mentioned that we are closing the 2022 Call for Visual Art and will bring the 2023 Call for Visual Art on August 28, 2023.

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Arts Coordinator Ayala stated that Talea Ross contract is fully approved and will be getting started on the first set of program.

ADJOURNMENT

The Cultural Arts Commission meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Batts at 7:11 p.m. to the next Meeting of August 28, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Prepared by,

Ata Khan Planning Manager Miroslava PourSanae Administrative Assistant