



UNOFFICIAL MINUTES  
JOINT MEETING OF THE  
POMONA CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION  
AND THE  
CUTLRUAL ARTS CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Closed Session Room  
505 South Garey Avenue  
Pomona, CA 91766  
March 27, 2017  
4:30 p.m.

Opening- All attendees are requested to turn off cell phones

**A.** Call to Order

**B.** Roll Call of Cultural Arts Commissioners:

Chair Nancy Leanos and Vice Chair Sally Egan; Commissioners Andrew Quinones, Denise Marquez, Joshua Swodeck, Maribel Alvarez, and Venita Reynolds

**C.** Roll Call of Cultural Arts Commission Citizen Advisory Committee Members

Commissioners – Joshua Swodeck, Andrew Quinones, Venita Reynolds

**D.** Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Leanos

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**E.** Commissioner Communication:

1. Welcome New District 6 Commissioner, Denise Marquez.

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**F.** Public Comment:

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**G.** Recess the Meeting of Cultural Arts Commission and Reconvene the Meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission Citizens Advisory Committee

Motion by Commissioner Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Quinones, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, approving to recess the Meeting of Cultural Arts Commission and reconvene the Meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission Citizens Advisory Committee.

Commissioner Reynolds volunteered to Chair the Cultural Arts Commission Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting.

**H.** Cultural Arts Commission Citizens Advisory Committee's Review of Proposed Public Art Pursuant to the City of Pomona Art in Public Places Policy, Guidelines, and Ordinance.

1. Tony Cerda Park Mural Project

Catherine Lin provided a report regarding a request for a Tony Cerda Park Mural.

She suggested staff review and consider support of the Tony Cerda Park Mural design.

Commissioner Quinones stated his involvement in the project before becoming a member of the Cultural Arts Commission Citizens Advisory Committee. He stated he will receive no financial gain from the project and therefore it was stated by the City Attorney that he would not need to recuse himself from the item.

Discussion ensued regarding the rafters being restored as part of the project, approving an artist before a RFP/RFQ is published for bids, and the advertisement process of the RFP/RFQ.

Venita Reynolds suggested publishing a RFP/RFQ with the shortest amount of time allowed, not to try to cut any individuals out of an opportunity, but it seems Tony Cerda's design is what the City would like.

Catherine Lin stated this project is going to set the template for future park projects therefore other bidders will have opportunities.

Development Services Manager Johnson suggested that the Committee provide consideration on the design and determine a dollar amount for the project to be reviewed and approved by the City Council.

The Committee discussed and agreed on the design of the project. In addition, the Committee agreed the standard RFP/RFQ process should be followed to avoid issues with future projects with the RFP/RFQ remaining open for 14 days.

Motion by Commissioner Quinones, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, approving the design of the project.

Motion by Commissioner Quinones, seconded by Commissioner Swodeck, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, requesting up to \$12,000 from the City Council for the project.

I. Adjournment of the Cultural Arts Commission Citizens Advisory Committee and Continue the Meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission

J. Old Business:

1. Mosaic mural at Holt Family Apartments

Catherine Lin provided a report regarding the approved Mosaic Mural at the Holt Family Apartments. The final design was presented to the commission for consideration.

Motion by Commissioner Alvarez, seconded by Commissioner Swodeck, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, approving the final Mosaic Mural design at Holt Family Apartments.

## 2. 2017 Water Color Art Contest

Catherine Lin provided a report regarding the 2017 Water Color Art Contest.

Commissioner Swodeck suggested providing healthy refreshments for the event to keep with the theme of Pomona's Promise. In addition, he requested the flyer mention both events.

## 3. Reappointment of Vacant Citizens Advisory Committee position(s)

Brad Johnson provided a report regarding reappointments required for the Citizens Advisory Committee. He stated applications were received from Carolyn Hemming, Chris Toovey, and Joy McAllister. In addition, he provided guidelines for being a committee member.

Commissioner Quinones stated he would like to see new appointments made.

Commissioner Swodeck suggested adding a junior committee member from a high school.

Chris Toovey and Carolyn Hemming provided their background with the city and their qualifications for being on the committee.

Motion by Commissioner Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, approving Carolyn Hemming, Chris Toovey, and Joy McAllister as Citizens Advisory Committee members and to add a junior committee member.

The Commission requested the Cultural Arts Commission meetings and the Advisory Committee meeting be separate.

## 4. Ganesha Park Special Dedication Ceremony Subcommittee Oral Report

Catherine Lin provided a report regarding the Ganesha Park Special Dedication Ceremony.

Commissioner Alvarez provided a report regarding the agenda and budget for the Ganesha Park Dedication.

Discussion ensued regarding the issues of the structure of this event, Chair Leanos and Commissioner Quinones acting as Master of Ceremonies for the event, and Commissioner Swodeck designing the banner and Commissioner Quinones designing the flyer of the event.

**K. New Business:**

1. Tony Cerda Park Mural Project

Catherine Lin provided a report regarding a request for a Tony Cerda Park Mural. She stated the Advisory Committee approved the design, requested the RFP/RFQ remain open for bids for 14 days, and to request \$12,000 from the City Council.

Motion by Commissioner Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Quinones, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, approving the recommendation of the Advisory Committee for the Tony Cerda Park Mural Project.

Motion by Commissioner Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Quinones, carried by a unanimous vote of the members present, approving RFQ/RFQ applications to be submitted to the City by April 9<sup>th</sup>, midnight.

**L. Proposed Citywide Public Arts Projects Lists:**

1. Restoration of Downtown Pomona Fountains
2. Garey Avenue Underpass
3. Restoration of Mosaic Panels created by Students at the SAE

Catherine Lin provided a report regarding the proposed projects on the project list. She stated that the City has received a proposal for item 1, the restoration of the downtown Pomona fountains, a draft RFP/RFQ will be presented in the next couple of months for the Garey Avenue underpass, and the mosaic panels created by the students of the SAE has been removed from VPD Parking Lot #7 and it currently being restored at Perry's Studio. In addition, she stated staff was working with the dA on a public art registry as all restoration projects are required to be on the city's public art registry.

Discussion ensued regarding mural restorations for Shawn Diamond plaza and the north wall of the El Merendero restaurant, art in city mediums, other city art restoration projects needed, the SAE mosaic being restored at a private studio, Perry's studio, while the mosaic was city owned.

Commissioner Quinones mentioned graffiti removal needed for the mural at Kennedy Park, the idea of an art festival being held in downtown for street artist to place art on panels to be placed around Lake Pomona, murals which reflect positivity keeping in theme with Pomona's Promise, and a walk of fame place for famous individuals who visit the city to sign and place artwork on.

Commissioner Swodeck suggesting dedicating a wall which would continuously have changing art/murals, mentioned the Fairplex wanting to add an art element to this year's fair with the assistance of the Cultural Arts Commission, and suggested change in the ordinance to allow for direct award to artist.

Carolyn Hemming suggested not revising the ordinance as it would leave it open for revision requests of the entire ordinance.

**M. Staff Communication:**

**Adjournment:**

At 8:02 p.m., Chair Leanos moved to adjourn the Cultural Arts Commission to April 24, 2017, at 5:30 pm in the City Council Conference Room, 505 South Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA 91766.

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Chair  
Cultural Arts Commission

Maureen Casey, Transcriber

The minutes of this meeting are filed in the Planning Division of City Hall, located 505 South Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA, 91766