

City of Pomona

Cultural Arts Commission Special Meeting Action Minutes

Chairperson Joshua Swodeck
Vice-Chairperson Andrew Quinones
Commissioner Jovani Esparza
Commissioner Jessica Leon
Commissioner Venita Reynolds
Commissioner Dianna Batts
Commissioner Denise Marquez

Monday, December 9, 2019

6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Joshua Swodeck called the Cultural Arts Commission Special Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Joshua Swodeck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Chairperson Joshua Swodeck

Vice-Chairperson Andrew Quinones

Commissioner Jovani Esparza Commissioner Venita Reynolds Commissioner Dianna Batts Commissioner Denise Marquez

Absent:

Commissioner Jessica Leon

Staff Present: Anita D. Gutierrez, Development Services Director

Gustavo N. Gonzalez, Planning Manager

Alina Barron, Assistant Planner

PUBLIC COMMENT

Edward SanManiego, a member of the public, came to represent art and stated that artist should be allowed to paint whatever they would like.

Michael Miller, a member of the public, stated he is part of the music faculty of CalPoly Pomona since 2004 and is here to introduce his students who have been working on a music service-learning project with Vice-Chair Quinones. He thank Vice-Chair Quinones for working with his students.

Jacob Segun, a student of CalPoly Pomona, spoke about getting a mural done on the side of the glasshouse and submitting an RFP.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of draft Cultural Arts Commission Minutes meeting of September 23, 2019 and October 28, 2019.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Quinones, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, carried by 6 "yes" votes and 0 "no" vote (6-0-0-1) to approve the draft Cultural Arts Commission Minutes meeting of September 23, 2019 and October 28, 2019.

Chairperson Joshua Swodeck - yes; Vice-Chairperson Andrew Quinones - yes; Commissioner Esparza - yes; Commissioner Reynolds - yes; Commissioner Batts - yes; Commissioner Marquez - yes.

OPPOSITION: None

IN SUPPORT: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 1 minute (6:14 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.)

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

1. Mural Permit (MURAL 12295-2019)

Location: 450 W. Grand Avenue

Request: A Mural Permit (MURAL12295-2019) to allow the proposed community-executed mural to remain for a period of six months from installation date.

Environmental Determination: Per the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the proposed project, meets the criteria for a Class 1 (Existing Facilities) Categorical Exemption pursuant to Article 19, 15301.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Esparza, carried by 6 "yes" votes and 0 "no" vote (6-0-0-1) to approve the Mural to remain for a period of up to one year from the August 9 date and establish an ad-hoc committee to

work with residence and community members on establishing a new mural and invite participants from the original mural to participate in the mural replacement discussion.

Chairperson Joshua Swodeck - yes; Vice-Chairperson Andrew Quinones - yes; Commissioner Esparza - yes; Commissioner Reynolds - yes; Commissioner Batts - yes; Commissioner Marquez - yes.

OPPOSITION: Donna Botera spoke in opposition of the project.

Iri Manzanates-Ybarra spoke in opposition of the project.

Vince Tapia spoke in opposition of the project. Sam Escobar spoke in opposition of the project.

IN SUPPORT: Fabian Ramon spoke in support of the project.

Al Villanueva spoke in support of the project. Connie A. spoke in support of the project.

Edward SanManiego spoke in support of the project.

Jose Melendez spoke for Andy Salgas in support of the project.

Bulldog Jesse spoke in support of the project. Julian Alganas spoke in support of the project. Yesebel M. spoke in support of the project.

Yesenia Miranda spoke in support of the project.

DISCUSSION TIME: 1hour 11 minutes (6:16 p.m. to 7:27 p.m.)

Adjournment

The Cultural Arts Commission Special Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Swodeck at 8:12 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of January 27, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Prepared by,

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