



REGULAR MEETING OF THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Civic Center Branch Library
Conference Room
365 F St, Chula Vista

Present: Commissioners Bishop, Brady, Kohse, Maynard, Muraoka, Chair
Ward

Absent: Commissioner Gray, Vice Chair Zavala

Also Present: Principal Librarian Magbanua

Others Present Librarian III Ytuarte

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 6:07 p.m. in Conference Room, located in Civic Center Library, 365 F Street, Chula Vista California.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Secretary Magbanua called the roll.

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 3.1 through 3.2)**

Commission approve the recommended action on the below consent calendar items.

Moved by Commissioner Maynard
Seconded by Christine Brady

Yes (5): Christine Brady, Commissioner Kohse, Commissioner Maynard, Ken Muraoka, and Commissioner Ward

Abstain (1): Commissioner Bishop

Result:Carried (5 to 0)

3.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approve the minutes dated: November 1, 2023

3.2 Written Communications

Excuse the absence

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Secretary Magbanua announced that 2 electronic comments had been received.

5. ACTION ITEMS

Commissioner Bishop arrived at 6:24 pm.

5.1 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Sister Cities

Commission discuss, make recommendations, and take action as appropriate.

Commissioner Muraoka provided an update noting he spoke to the Mayor about potentially re-starting the Youth Exchange Program with sister city Odawara, Japan and recommended that City staff follow up on its status. He also provided an update on a current youth exchange program with Odawara happening at Chula Vista High School. Commissioner Muraoka requested more information from City staff about the status of sister cities Cebu, Philippines and Irapuato, Mexico.

5.2 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Recommendations to City Council

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- Commissioner Bishop made a recommendation for a state-of-the-art theater venue potentially funded by the Bayfront developments.

- Commissioner Brady made a recommendation for staff to inquire about:
 - a potential percentage from the Gaylord resort project on the Bayfront that would be dedicated to arts funding;
 - creating aesthetic guidelines for architecture and art for the City and hiring a staff member to create them;
 - potentially creating an arts district on Third Avenue between Moss Street and Orange Avenue;
 - changing the subflooring of recreation centers to better accommodate dance performances and rehearsals;
 - looking into more mosaic art.
- Commissioner Muraoka made a recommendation for staff to inquire about a potential Mello-Roos tax for new Bayfront residences for arts funding in the Bayfront area.
- Commissioner Kohse made a recommendation for staff to inquire about:
 - working with philanthropic groups willing to fund the building of performing arts facilities;
 - having the Gaylord Bayfront hotel commission art from local artists for its guest rooms and common areas.

OTHER BUSINESS

6. STAFF COMMENTS

Principal Librarian and Cultural Arts Manager Magbanua provided updates on:

- The 2024 Performing and Visual Arts Grant
- The Sweetwater Union High School District Art Show at the Civic Center Library
- The Laura Green exhibit at the Civic Center Library
- The upcoming Write Out Loud student exhibition on mythology at the South Chula Vista Library
- The Casa Casillas art center construction
- Planning for the 2024 Chula Vista Art Fest

Librarian III Ytuarte provided an update on a potential idea for the next Chula Vista Heritage Museum exhibit.

7. CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Chair Ward inquired about whether there is any funding left for the Create Chula Vista Arts grant.

8. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- Commissioner Muraoka asked whether the Commission approves and/or recommends public art proposals.
- Commissioner Brady inquired about how she can collect the contact information of the other Commissioners.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Erwin Magbanua, Secretary

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