

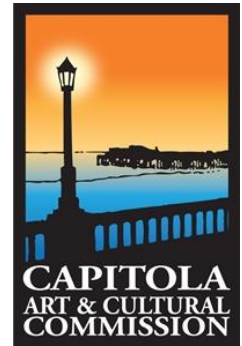
City of Capitola

Art & Cultural Commission: Approved Minutes

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 – 5:30 PM

Council Chambers

420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola CA 95010



Chair: Roy Johnson

Vice Chair: Laurie Hill

Commissioners: Mary Beth Cahalen, Courtney Christiansen, Joe Clarke, Kelly Mozumder, James Wallace, Peter Wilk, Vacant Seat

Staff Representatives: Nikki Bryant LeBlond & Kelly Barreto

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 PM. In attendance: Cahalen, Christiansen, Clarke, Hill, Mozumder, Wallace, Johnson. Commissioner Wilk joined at 5:50 PM.

2. **Additions and Deletions to the Agenda**

None

3. **Public Oral Communication**

None

4. **Approval of Minutes- June 13, 2023**

Motion to approve the Minutes: Commissioner Mozumder

Second: Council Member Clarke

Voting Yea: Commissioner Cahalen, Commissioner Christiansen, Council Member Clarke, Vice Chair Hill, Commissioner Mozumder, Commissioner Wallace, Chair Johnson.

5. **General Business**

a. **Brown Act Training**

City Attorney conducted a Brown Act Training for commissioners.

Motion to approve: No Action Taken

b. **Commissioner Recommendations**

Report given by Chair Johnson. Chair Johnson requested each applicant to address the commission. Jennifer Major shared her reason to join commission and interest in public art. Jill Payonzeck Lengre shared her background and reason to join the commission. Mario Beltramo shared his background and interested in join the commission. Neil Pearlberg shared his background. Commissioner Wilk offered to resign based on the large number of qualified applicants and on the condition that the A&C use of Public Art Funds be places on the next agenda. The commission deliberated on the applicants, and each shared their top two for recommendation.

Motion to approve Jennifer Major for applicant recommendation for City Council to appoint and in event another vacancy occurs on commission recommend Mario

Beltramo: Vice Chair Hill

Second: Commissioner Cahalen

Voting Yea: Commissioner Cahalen, Commissioner Christiansen, Council Member Clarke, Vice Chair Hill, Commissioner Mozumder, Commissioner Wallace, Commissioner Wilk, Chair Johnson.

c. Begonia Commemorative Public Art Proposals

Report given by Staff. Each artist presented their concept proposal and responded to commissioner question. Chair Johnson asked each commissioner to share any thoughts one each proposal and recommended move to subcommittee for decision. Vice Chair Hill commented on the professional presentations and agreed with Chair Johnson suggestion. Motion to approve further deliberation in subcommittee and return next meeting with a recommendation: Commissioner Wallace

Second: Commissioner Wilk

Voting Yea: Commissioner Cahalen, Commissioner Christiansen, Council Member Clarke, Vice Chair Hill, Commissioner Mozumder, Commissioner Wallace, Commissioner Wilk, Chair Johnson.

d. Program Expenses

Report given by Staff. Staff given direction.

Motion to approve: No Action Taken

e. Ukrainian Art in the Park

Report given by Vice Chair Hill.

Motion to approve: No Action Taken

f. Plein Air

Report given by Vice Chair Hill.

Motion to approve: No Action Taken

g. Capitola Wharf Enhancement Project

Report given by Vice Chair Hill.

Motion to approve: No Action Taken

6. Commissioner Reports

Chair Johnson commented on the Art in the Park and Seymore Center partnership with the CWEP.

7. Staff Reports

Update on Twilight Concert Merch. Update on Plaque Policy: Designated locations are Benches(currently full), the Wharf, Grand Ave Railing, Cliff Ave Railing. New Agenda format: Move Commissioner Reports and Staff reports to beginning and add Program Report section.

8. Future Agenda Items

Monterey Railing Proposal, Public Works Director and Public Art, Village Decorations, Begonia Art artist selection, Plein Air Paint Out, Budget for Program & Public Art,

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 PM to the next regular Art & Cultural Commission meeting on August 8, 2023.

ATTEST:

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Nikki Bryant LeBlond