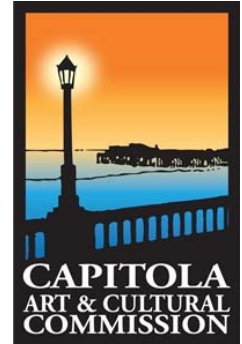


City of Capitola

Art & Cultural Commission: Approved Minutes

Tuesday, August 8 – 6:30 PM

Council Chambers
420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola CA 95010



Chair: Roy Johnson

Vice Chair: Laurie Hill

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

Staff Representatives: Nikki Bryant LeBlond & Kelly Barreto

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. In attendance: Cahalen, Clarke, Hill, Major, Wallace, Johnson. Commissioner Christiansen joined at 6:36 PM. Absent: Mozumder

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

None

3. **Public Oral Communication**

Peter Wilk, resident, spoke about the July 11, 2023 draft minutes, Item 8.e and Public Art fund regarding the Wharf Construction.

4. **Commissioner Comments**

Chair Johnson commented on low police presence at the July Art at the Beach event and the closing of the checking account.

5. **Staff Comments**

Staff reported on Twilight Concert Merchandise, Resignation of Commission Mozumder and upcoming Tree Stump Public Art Installation.

6. **Approval of Minutes- July 11, 2023**

Motion to approve the July Draft Minutes with change to 5.b 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: Commissioner Cahalen

Second: Chair Johnson

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

7. **Program Reports**

a. **Twilight Concerts:** no report to be given

b. **Art at the Beach:** Report attached to packet.

i. **Ukrainian Art at the Park:** Vice Chair Hill reported out.

c. **Movies at the Beach:** No report to be given

d. **Plein Air:** Vice Chair Hill reported out call to artist is closed.

8. **General Business**

a. **Director of Public Works**

Report given by Staff. Director of Public Works, Jessica Kahn, presented on the City's inventory of public art and proposed a maintenance plan for public art. Commissioner

Cahalen commented on 41st Ave public art needing to be washed and, on the seal, needing bronze patina. Chair Johnson commented on lighting of the 41st Ave public Art. Commissioner Christiansen inquired about landscaping for public art. Vice Chair Hill suggested the attachment be included in upcoming call to artist with modifications.

Public Comment: none

Motion to approve: No action

b. Monterey Railing Public Art Proposals

Report given by staff. Each artist presented their concept proposal and responded to commissioner questions. Chair Johnson asked each commissioner to provide comments for each presentation and move to committee for recommendation. Council Member Clarke commented that the majority of commissioner preferred the presentation provided by Pete Goldlust.

Public Comment: Peter Wilk, resident, commented on preference for Pete Goldlust but would like the stain glass removed.

Motion to approve the appointment of Commissioner Christiansen to the Monterey Railing Public Art committee and that the committee will meet and return with recommendation to commission: Commissioner Cahalen

Second: Council Member Clarke

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

c. “Quick Draw” activity for Plein Air 2023

Report given by Staff. Vice Chair Hill proposed the addition of a Quick Draw activity to the Plein Air 2023. The Quick Draw would provide a \$200 first place and \$100 second place prize for participation. Artist would get the opportunity to sell their own artwork independent of the Plein Air Exhibition.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve the addition of a Quick Draw activity to Plein Air 2023: Commissioner Cahalen

Second: Chair Johnson

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

d. Plein Air Committee Appointment

Report given by Staff. Vice Chair Hill commented on Commissioner Major being a good fit for the seat. Commissioner Major inquired about the responsibilities. Commissioner Christiansen offered to support Plein Air but not on the committee.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve appointment of Commissioner Majorjen to the Plein Air committee: Vice Chair Hill

Second: Commissioner Cahalen

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

e. Use of Public Art Fund

Report given by Staff. Commissioner Cahalen asked for public comment to better understand Peter Wilks interest and agreed that the definition “works of art” should include performance art. Vice Chair Hill commented the code should remain unchanged.

Chair Johnson commented that budget planning process allows for production of performance art.

Public Comment: Peter Wilk, resident, spoke on desired change to the Muni code for the Public Art Fund

Motion to approve staff recommendation: Chair Johnson

Second: Vice Chair Hill

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

9. Future Agenda Items

Begonia Public Art Contract, Jim Malberg, Hammer & Silva Building Mosaic Public Art, Monterey Railing Public Art Contract

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 PM to the next regular Art & Cultural Commission meeting on September 12, 2023.

ATTEST:

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Nikki Bryant

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