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UNAPPROVED DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE
 CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
 MINUTES OF November 04, 2020

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE:

The notice of the meeting was posted on October 29, 2020.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Mills-Thysen called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, and Committee Members Langberg, Stucker and Arnold
Absent:	Chair Vertz (excused)
Staff:	Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director Alan Montes, Associate Planner

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 07, 2020

Committee Member Stucker made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

Committee Member Arnold seconded the motion.

VOTE:	Ayes:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, and Committee Members Langberg, Arnold, and Stucker
	Noes:	None
	Abstain:	None
	Absent:	Chair Vertz

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

5. STATEMENTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.

At the request of Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, Item 7 was moved up on the agenda.

7. PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT (Update on Future Agendas, Action of Other Boards and City Council)

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Support for artists during Covid-19 – Artist Lottery

Committee Member Stucker made a motion that the drawing be postponed to their regular meeting on December 02, 2020 to allow for more entries.

The motion was not seconded.

The motion failed.

Committee Member Arnold made a motion to award \$500 to each of the three applicant's that have applied to date. A second lottery will be publicized and held in December. The rest of the money (\$2,500) will be awarded in \$500 grants to any additional applicants. If there are more than 5 additional applicant's a lottery will be held. If there are less than 5 additional applicants', the remaining funds will stay with the City.

Vice Chair Mills-Thysen asked Committee Member Arnold if he would be willing to amend his motion to state that the remaining funds will be dividend evenly amongst all applicants.

Committee Member Arnold was not in support of that amendment.

Vice Chair Mills-Thysen clarified that she was suggesting that each applicant receive an equal amount of funds regardless of when they were awarded (at this meeting or in December).

Committee Member Arnold expressed support for that, however, he would prefer to leave the awards at \$500 and, if there are not 5 additional applicants, a third lottery could be held early next year.

Committee Member Langberg seconded the amended motion.

VOTE:	Ayes:	Committee Members Langberg and Arnold
	Noes:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen and Committee Member Stucker
	Abstain:	None
	Absent:	Chair Vertz

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Committee Member Stucker seconded the motion.

VOTE:	Ayes:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, and Committee Members Langberg, Stucker, and Arnold
	Noes:	None
	Abstain:	None
	Absent:	Chair Vertz

The recipients are:

James Reynolds
Stella Monday
Shelley Rae

At the request of Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, Item 6C was moved up on the agenda.

The Committee requested that a press release be done in advance of the Call, and that a second press release be done once the Call is released.

Per a suggestion made by Committee Member Arnold, Committee Member Stucker volunteered to personally contact the organizations listed under 'Eligibility' on the call to see if they would be interested in participating, along with others that may come up.

Vice Chair Mills-Thysen requested that the Committee plan on voting on and approving the Call and press release at their regular December meeting so this can continue moving forward, assuming the City hears back from the County before then.

Vice Chair Mills-Thysen agreed to coordinate with staff on a press release before their regular December meeting.

C. Sculpture Garden Subcommittee RFP/Call for Artists

The Committee discussed and agreed upon further revisions to the RFP/Call for Artists.

B. Ned Kahn Public Art – Update

The Committee received an update on Caltrans' response to Mr. Kahn's proposal for the Highway 12 bridge and discussed alternative sites.

Vice Chair Mills-Thysen made a motion recommending that staff investigate use of the knoll on Morris Street (across from the Community Center) and to present that as a site for Mr. Kahn's consideration.

Committee Member Langberg seconded the motion.

VOTE:	Ayes:	Vice Chair Mills-Thysen, and Committee Members Langberg, Stucker, and Arnold
	Noes:	None
	Abstain:	None
	Absent:	Chair Vertz

8. ADJOURNMENT: Committee Member Arnold made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Langberg seconded the motion. Vice Chair Mills-Thysen adjourned the meeting of the Sebastopol Public Arts Committee at 12:00 p.m. The next regular Public Arts Committee meeting will be held on December 02, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Kari Svanstrom
Planning Director