FEBRUARY 1, 2024
6:00 P.M. – UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER by Chair Ashendorf at 6:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Commissioner Ochoa.

ROLL CALL

☒ = Present ☐ = Absent

Commissioners	City Staff
☒ Charlene Ashendorf, Chair	☒ Monique Villasenor, Recreation Manager
☒ Fisher Derderian	☒ Ashley Thomas, Sr. Recreation Supervisor
☒ Erica Lucia	☒ Laurette Garner, Arts Specialist
☒ Alisa Ochoa	☒ Laura Fautua, Executive Assistant
☒ Allison Mann	
☒ Debora Wondercheck, Vice Chair	
☒ Heidi Zuckerman	

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Commissioner Mann: Attended the butterfly art installation unveiling and highlighted the display and event. Enjoyed seeing the butterfly art installation work in a function to help populate a species.

Commissioner Lucia: No comments.

Vice Chair Wondercheck: Spoke about *Music of the March Attribute to Reverend King Jr. and the Motown Sound* musical and Black History Month parade for the City of Anaheim is coming up this weekend, and it will be at the promenade in downtown Anaheim.

Commissioner Zuckerman: Spoke about an opinion piece that occurred in the New York Times on Sunday written by David Brooks. Highlighted through art and culture, we have an opportunity to facilitate both emotional knowledge and empathy.

Commissioner Ochoa: Thanked Commissioner Zuckerman for sharing. Echoed what Commissioner Mann about the butterfly garden unveiling.

Commissioner Derderian: Thanked staff and the media team regarding the recent production of art videos.

Chair Ashendorf: Highlighted the Costa Mesa Senior Center featured artist, Ellie Brouse. Her artwork display is available to see through April. Requested staff to highlight which grant application processes are currently open for the community.

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OLD BUSINESS

1. **MINUTES**
   12/07/2023 Arts Commission Draft Minutes

   MOTION/SECOND: Chair Ashendorf made a motion to approve the December 7, 2023 minutes /Seconded by Commissioner Mann.

   The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
   Ayes: Commissioner Derderian, Commissioner Lucia, Commissioner Mann, Commissioner Ochoa, Vice Chair Wondercheck, Chair Ashendorf
   Nays: None
   Abstained: Commissioner Zuckerman
   Absent: None
   Motion Carried: 6-0-1

2. **PERMANENT PUBLIC ART ON PUBLIC PROPERTY**
   Ms. Laurette Garner, Arts Specialist, presented.

   Commissioners highlighted the adjustments in positive light.

   Commissioner Zuckerman asked how conflict of interests will be addressed.

   Public Comments: None.

   MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Ochoa made a recommendation to approve the process for Permanent Public Art on Public Property / Seconded by Vice Chair Wondercheck.

   The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
   Ayes: Commissioner Derderian, Commissioner Lucia, Commissioner Mann, Commissioner Ochoa, Commissioner Zuckerman, Vice Chair Wondercheck, Chair Ashendorf
   Nays: None
   Absent: None
   Motion Carried: 7-0

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**
   Ms. Fautua, Executive Assistant for Parks and Community Services Department presented.

   Public Comments: None.

   MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Ashendorf nominated Commissioner Wondercheck for the Chair to the Arts Commission / Seconded by Commissioner Zuckerman.

   The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
   Ayes: Commissioner Ashendorf, Commissioner Derderian, Commissioner Lucia, Commissioner Mann, Commissioner Ochoa, Commissioner Wondercheck,

Commissioner Zuckerman
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: 7-0

MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Wondercheck nominated Commissioner Zuckerman for the Vice Chair to the Arts Commission / Seconded by Commissioner Ashendorf.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Ashendorf, Commissioner Derderian, Commissioner Lucia, Commissioner Mann, Commissioner Ochoa, Commissioner Wondercheck, Commissioner Zuckerman
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: 7-0

2. APPROVAL OF UTILITY BOX ART PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

Ms. Laurette Garner, Arts Specialist, presented.

Commissioner Zuckerman requested clarification of what item is being held for Blake Garner's artwork.

Commissioner Derderian felt the two (2) sponsorship boxes look more like print designs rather than artistic merit. Would like staff to request Segerstrom to provide more artistic designs for the two (2) boxes.

Commissioner Ashendorf inquired if staff are doing anything different for the increase interest for the program as well as the quality of the artwork.

Commissioner Lucia inquired if staff have considered a QR code to learn more about the artist.

Public Comments: None.

MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Derderian moved to approve utility box art designs one (1) through nine (9) and have the two (2) sponsorship boxes return to the Arts Commission for review / Seconded by Commissioner Mann.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Ashendorf, Commissioner Derderian, Commissioner Lucia, Commissioner Mann, Commissioner Ochoa, Commissioner Wondercheck, Commissioner Zuckerman
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried: 7-0

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3. **POET LAUREATE PROGRAM**
   Commission praised the different approach for art in the City by adding this program.

   Public Comments: None.

   MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Ashendorf moved to approve the Poet Laureate Program and application process as outlined / Seconded by Commissioner Lucia.

   The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
   Ayes: Commissioner Ashendorf, Commissioner Derderian, Commissioner Lucia, Commissioner Mann, Commissioner Ochoa, Commissioner Wondercheck, Commissioner Zuckerman
   Nays: None
   Absent: None
   Motion Carried: 7-0

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. **ARTS & CULTURE STAFF REPORT**
   Ms. Laurette Garner, Arts Specialist, presented.

   Chair Ashendorf inquired where Juan Islas' artwork that he donated to the City will be located.

ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER MEMBER & STAFF COMMENTS
Chair Ashendorf thanked the Commission for their support during her time as Chair.

ADJOURNMENT Chair Ashendorf adjourned at 6:41 P.M.

NEXT REGULAR ARTS COMMISSION MEETING: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

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