

**ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 20, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
150 CITY PARK WAY
BRENTWOOD, CA 94513**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Carleton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Chair Brian Carleton, Vice Chair Pamela Tabel and Commissioner Rosalinda Grejsen. Commissioner Leslie Bemel was absent and Commissioner Pamela Tabel was excused. Staff members present were Poldina Scherff, Recreation Manager and Elaine McGurk, Administrative Assistant II.

A. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kati Short, Poet Laureate, informed the Commission that they will be working In Mt. Diablo's Shadow, Volume 6. They will do a call for artists soon. August will be "rant month" at open mic. The speakers will have 5 minutes to rant about anything. Kati Short recited a poem inspired by the last Poet Laureates "Why We Need Poetry" before the Commission.

Mary Lamb, Art Guild of the Delta Co Founder/President and board member of the Art Society, came representing the Art Guild of the Delta members. This group was found in the fall of 2013. They are interested in a community project to paint a mural on library exterior knowing that they will demolish the building. She hopes this activity would may help those who are creative. She wants to know what would be the process to start this project.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, SUBCOMMITTEES, LIAISONS AND STAFF

Commissioner Grejsen attended a reception at the Delta Gallery on July 16, 2016. They had an increase in crowd and it was a busy evening. They are also opening a ceramic show and Brentwood Art Society announced they will announce the Artist of the Year at the Art, Jazz, and Wine Festival.

Commissioner Cindy Lee met with Poldina and chatted about the ideas presented at a previous meeting. She will be presenting new ideas at a future meeting.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

C.1 Approve minutes of revised regular meeting of May 18, 2016.

❖ Motion to approve revised minutes of regular meeting of May 18, 2016.

Motion: Grejsen
Second: Lee
Ayes: 3 (Carleton, Grejsen, Lee)
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 (Tabel)
Absent: 1 (Bemel)

C.2 Approve minutes of regular meeting of June 15, 2016.

❖ Item tabled and to be brought back at the next meeting.

D. SCHEDULED MATTERS

D.1 **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM:** Discuss and recommend future workshop to tour the City's public art and other possible gateway locations. (P. Scherff)

The Commission discussed having a future workshop to tour the City's public art and other possible gateway locations.

One area that was suggested by City staff to visit is the entrance to Trilogy Cultural Art Center. Trilogy will adhere to the City's guidelines for public art and bring before the Arts Commission for initial approval the proposed public art before going to the City Council for final approval.

The Commission discussed the date and time for the future workshop.

❖ Motion to approve the workshop date to tour the City's public art and other possible gateway locations on August 17, 2016 at 5:30 pm with dinner provided afterwards.

Motion: Grejsen
 Second: Lee
 Ayes: 3 (Bemel, Carleton, Grejsen)
 Noes: 0
 Excused: 1 (Tabel)
 Absent: 1 (Bemel)

❖ *Revised motion to approve the workshop date to tour the City's public art and other possible gateway locations on August 17, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with dinner provided afterwards.

Motion: Grejsen
 Second: Lee
 Ayes: 3 (Bemel, Carleton, Grejsen)
 Noes: 0
 Excused: 1 (Tabel)
 Absent: 1 (Bemel)

E. OLD BUSINESS:

E.1 **INFORMATIONAL UPDATE:** Brentwood Public Art Walls show for July 2016. (P. Tabel/R. Grejsen).

Commissioner Grejsen said the Brentwood Public Art Walls show for the Brush Offs in July was well attended. There were about 20 attendees. She liked the interactive piece that was added for people to add words to the Pursuit of Happiness.

E. 2 **INFORMATIONAL UPDATE:** Final run through for the Arts Commission's "Year at a Glance" annual report to City Council. (R. Grejsen)

Commissioner Grejsen did a dry run for the Arts Commission's "Year at a Glance" annual report to City Council.

E. 3 **INFORMATIONAL UPDATE:** Nine utility box public art project. (P. Scherff)

Poldina Scherff, Recreation Manager, said the packet for “Call for Artists” went out on June 21 with a deadline on July 29. No packets were received back at this time.

After further discussion, the Commission found conflict with time of Special Workshop and the need for time to review the submittals of the nine utility box art projects. The Commission decided it was necessary to rescind the motion on item D.1. and to propose a new motion.*

The workshop for the Nine utility box public art project will take place at 5:30 pm.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

F.1 **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Brentwood Public Art Walls show for August 2016.
(P.Scherff)

Poldina Scherff, Recreation Manager, said Delta Quilters Guild will have an exhibition from August 8-26. They will be displaying handmade small quilts and table runners. They will also have a quilt show at the Community Center from August 27 – August 28.

F.2 **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** City-wide Banner Program. (P.Scherff)

Poldina Scherff, Recreation Manager, updated the Commission about the City-wide Banner Program. For the October, meeting a coordinator with 101 Artist Colony from Encinitas will introduce the City of Encinitas Banner program. They hope this will inspire the Arts Commission to possibly mirror their program for the City of Brentwood.

They have a non-profit organization that will assist with the call of artists, gather artist info, put up/take down banners, and sell the pieces.

G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Lee is looking forward to seeing more art pieces and the City grow.

Chair Carleton mentioned he had heard about the idea of doing a mural on the library exterior wall from Vivian but at the time their hands were tied. During that time, there were issues in proceeding with that project. Poldina Scherff, Recreation Manager, said she will need to talk to Mary about the project requested. Poldina Scherff needs to gather more information and details so that she can contact other City staff for feedback to ensure proper procedures are followed. Concerns of what will happen to the mural once the demolition begins. It was brought it up that pieces of the wall could be sold.

H. STAFF COMMENTS

NONE

I. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

I. COMMISSION REQUESTED ITEM(S)

- NONE

II. NEW REQUEST(S)

- NONE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

❖ Motion to adjourn meeting.

Motion: Grejsen

Second: Lee

Ayes: 3 (Carleton, Grejsen, Lee)

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 (Tabel)

Absent: 1 (Bemel)