

MINUTES
MALIBU ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 24, 2022
TELECONFERENCED – VARIOUS LOCATIONS
9:00 A.M.

The following meeting was held pursuant to AB 361 and fully teleconferenced from various locations during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Holland called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded in attendance via teleconference by the Recording Secretary:

PRESENT: Vice Chair Holland; Commissioners Barry Haldeman, and Peter Jones; and Ex-Officio Clifford

ABSENT: Chair Lotte Cherin and Commissioner Fireball Lawrence

ALSO PRESENT: Kristin Riesgo, Community Services Deputy Director; and Brittany Saleaumua, Administrative Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Holland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY OF MALIBU VISION STATEMENT

Commissioner Jones read the City of Malibu Vision Statement.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Vice Chair Holland moved, and Commissioner Jones seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The question was called, and the motion carried 3-0, Chair Cherin and Commissioner Lawrence absent.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Administrative Assistant Saleaumua reported the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on May 19, 2022.

ITEM 1 CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATIONS

None.

ITEM 2.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barbara Bruderlin, Malibu Chamber of Commerce CEO, stated the Malibu Art Share Program, formerly known as Arts in Business, was featured on the Malibu Arts Festival website. She also stated the Art Share Program would be ongoing, provide an opportunity for artists to display their artwork in Malibu businesses, and the Chamber of Commerce were considering charging an artist display fee.

Chris Wizner, Malibu Chamber of Commerce Board Chairman, stated the Arts Share Program would support local businesses by procuring and curating artwork for display.

ITEM 2.B. COMMISSION AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Arts in Education

Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated “Calling All Creatures” Poetry Summit was held on May 14, 2022. She also stated eight students were selected to read original works, and nine Malibu High School student photographers had their work displayed at the event.

Vice Chair Holland stated the event was well attended and featured excellent music.

2. Malibu Public Art Exhibitions

Vice Chair Holland stated the Call to Artists for the upcoming City Hall art exhibition, *Art of Surf*, was open through May 31, 2022. She also stated the opening reception for the exhibition would take place on June 25, 2022, and the schedule for upcoming exhibitions would be discussed by the Commission at the June 28, 2022 Regular meeting.

In response to Commissioner Haldeman, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated the current exhibition, *Malibu Perception*, could not be extended as it would require an amendment to the artist agreements, and additional time was needed between the shows to prepare the gallery.

Commissioner Haldeman recommended the installation of additional Malibu City Gallery signage at City Hall. He also asked if City Hall was open on weekends to allow the public to visit the gallery.

Vice Chair Holland indicated agreement with Commissioner Haldeman.

Community Services Director Riesgo stated staff would research options for signage.

Commissioner Jones stated the *Malibu Perception* exhibition was one of the best multi-artist exhibitions completed to date by the Commission.

3. Business and Community Outreach

Commissioner Haldeman stated the Chamber of Commerce had created an arts committee to oversee the Malibu Art Share Program. He stated the Pacific Palisades Chamber of Commerce and Malibu Chamber of Commerce had merged and were coordinating a Call for Artists for the Art Share Program.

Commissioner Jones stated the second phase of the Art Share Program would entail contacting realtors to stage artwork in homes currently for sale.

4. Social Media

No updates.

ITEM 3 CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION Vice Chair Holland moved, and Commissioner Jones seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The question was called, and the motion carried 3-0, Chair Cherin and Commissioner Lawrence absent.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

A. Previously Discussed Items

None.

B. New Items

1. Approval of Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve the minutes for the March 22, 2022 Malibu Arts Commission Regular Meeting and the April 26, 2022 Malibu Arts Commission Regular Meeting.

ITEM 4 OLD BUSINESS

A. Malibu Arts Center

Recommended Action: Discuss ideas for an arts center in Malibu.

Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo presented the staff report.

Vice Chair Holland stated she viewed Ed Niles' conceptual model and was impressed. She stated the model could be adjusted for an arts center and recommended Commissioners speak with Mr. Niles regarding the model.

Commissioner Jones stated the Malibu City Hall Theater was a fundamentally usable space that could be improved with minor renovations. He stated the renovations could include a larger screen, new lighting, and additional cameras. He stated Designer Maya Lin should be considered for the redesign work.

Vice Chair Holland stated the next step in the arts center process would be to release a community survey.

Commissioner Haldeman indicated agreement with Vice Chair Holland and suggested the Commission finalize a list of questions for an arts center community survey.

In response to Vice Chair Holland, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated the Commission would need to decide if they wanted to create an arts center ad hoc or work on the project as a Commission.

Commissioner Haldeman suggested Commissioners provide community survey questions for review and discussion at the June 28, 2022 Regular meeting.

Commissioner Jones inquired if the Commission could have a copy of the Malibu Bluffs Parkland community survey.

In response to Vice Chair Holland, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated the survey questions from Commissioner Haldeman were included with Item No. 4.B. from the March 22, 2022 Regular meeting. She stated all Commissioner questions would need to be submitted to staff no later than June 15, 2022.

B. Solstice Canyon Creek Beautification Project

Recommended Action: 1) Review the Solstice Canyon Creek Beautification Project; and 2) Provide feedback to staff.

Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo presented the staff report.

In response to Commissioner Haldeman, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated the Commission could determine where the artwork would be displayed in the underpass.

In response to Vice Chair Holland, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated Caltrans would renovate the current underpass, making it accessible to the public.

In response to Ex-Officio Clifford, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated the underpass would have water running through it following rainstorms.

Commissioner Jones suggested creating a rill to incorporate the flowing water as part of the artwork. He stated the rill could go down the middle with sidewalks on either side and suggested exploring a three-dimensional design.

In response to Vice Chair Holland, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated the art component of the project must be completed in 2023 and would be on display even though the bridge project would not be completed until 2026. She also stated staff would contact Caltrans to see if they could provide more detailed plans for the project.

Commissioner Jones stated it would also be helpful to know the measurements of the underpass.

Commissioner Haldeman suggested incorporating stencil art into the artwork medium.

Ex-Officio Clifford suggested contacting Matt Doolin from Topanga Art Tile to incorporate a tile design since the artwork in the current underpass was tile-based. He stated Matt Doolin designed the tile work on the exterior of Fire Station 71.

Vice Chair Holland stated she was in favor of incorporating a tile design.

In response to Commissioner Haldeman, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated she would contact a CalTrans representative and request their attendance at the June 28, 2022 Regular meeting.

Ex-Officio Clifford stated he would reach out to Matt Doolin of Topanga Art Tile.

CONSENSUS By Consensus, the Commission tabled Item 4.B. for further discussion until the June 28, 2022 Regular meeting.

ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 6 STAFF UPDATES

Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo provided an update on upcoming art events.

Commissioner Jones stated the Summer Jubilations event would take place on June 8, 2022, with local readers and musical interludes between readings.

In response to Commissioner Haldeman, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated she would resend the email regarding art events that were advertised to the Commission.

Commissioner Jones suggested that future advertising opportunities should include light post banners.

In response to Ex-Officio Clifford, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated banners were previously displayed on Malibu Canyon Road for the Concert on the Bluffs event, but the approval and installation process was lengthy.

In response to Commissioner Haldeman, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated staff could set up an electronic notification for art events on the Malibu Arts Commission website.

ITEM 7 COMMISSIONER REPORTS, COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Commissioner Haldeman requested an item be placed on the June 28, 2022 Regular meeting agenda to discuss the Malibu Film Society issue and how the Commission could support the organization. He stated he would ask members of the Malibu Film Society to attend the meeting.

In response to Commissioner Haldeman, Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated an agenda item regarding the Art Share Program could be placed on a future agenda if he provided the required information for the staff report.

Ex-Officio Clifford stated he attended the Tracy Park Gallery to view *The Lost Archives of Bob Bonis, The Beatles, and The Rolling Stones* exhibition.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Arts Center
Solstice Canyon Creek Beautification Project
Malibu City Gallery Exhibition Schedule
Malibu Film Society Issues

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION At 10:47 a.m., Commissioner Haldeman, and Commissioner Jones seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The question was called, and the motion carried 3-0, Chair Cherin and Commissioner Lawrence absent.

Approved and adopted by the Malibu Arts
Commission of the City of Malibu on September
27, 2022.



LOTTE CHERIN, Chair

ATTEST:



BRITTANY SALEAUMUA, Administrative Assistant