

MINUTES  
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019  
MALIBU CITY HALL  
6:30 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Brady called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

PRESENT: Chair Veronica Brady; Vice Chair Lotte Cherin; and Commissioners Kathy Eldon, Julia Holland, and Peter Jones

ABSENT: Ex Officio Graeme Clifford

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION Commissioner Jones moved, and Vice Chair Cherin seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

**REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA**

Administrative Assistant Saleaumua reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on September 19, 2019.

**ITEM 1 CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**ITEM 2.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**ITEM 2.B. COMMISSION AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Arts in Education

Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo stated she attended the Arts Angels meeting at Malibu High School. She stated the Arts Angels expressed interest in partnership opportunities.

Chair Brady stated she received an e-mail from Malibu Elementary School Art Teacher Nicole Fisher, requesting funding for a kiln.

Vice Chair Cherin stated poetry workshops would start on October 23, 2019, at Malibu High School.

2. City Hall Public Art

Commissioner Holland stated the second installment of *Radical Beauty, Malibu Rising* was well received by the community.

Chair Brady stated she had received positive feedback about the Exhibition.

Commissioner Holland recommended future art exhibitions featuring multiple artists instead of single artists, to increase attendance.

**ITEM 3      CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION**      Chair Brady moved, and Vice Chair Cherin seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

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 Regular meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission on August 27, 2019.

**ITEM 4      OLD BUSINESS**

A. Water Treatment Facility Artwork

Recommended Action: Review and discuss options for the installation of new artwork on the Water Treatment Facility fencing located on the corner of Civic Center Way and Cross Creek Road.

Community Services Director Bobbett presented the staff report and introduced Maxwell Harlee from Blank Canvas.

Mr. Harlee presented a proposal and potential artist from Blank Canvas for a community art project for the Water Treatment Facility fencing.

In response to Mr. Harlee, Community Services Director Bobbett stated wood would be the preferred material. He stated welding and cutting the fence would not be an installation option.

In response to Commissioner Jones, Mr. Harlee stated the City would own the artwork once the project was completed and the artwork could be altered.

In response to Vice Chair Cherin, Mr. Harlee stated the cost of the panels was not included in the proposed budget for the project. He stated a metal wrap could also be an option for the artwork surface.

Chair Brady stated she would review other work of the artist who was presented during Mr. Harlee's presentation.

Vice Chair Cherin inquired if the Commission should consider local artists or coordinate a Call to Artists.

Commissioner Jones stated the artwork would be viewed by many people due to the location.

Commissioner Eldon stated the project could be an opportunity for the City to partner with local businesses to sponsor the project.

#### CONSENSUS

By consensus, the Commission agreed to bring the item back for discussion at the October 22, 2019 Regular meeting.

#### ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS

A. Performance and Visual Arts Center

Recommended Action: Discuss the potential for a performance and visual arts center in Malibu.

Vice Chair Cherin recommended a community meeting.

Chair Brady recommended coordinating a meeting with local artists to determine the need for a performance and visual arts center.

Commissioner Holland indicated support for a performance and visual arts center in central Malibu.

In response to Chair Brady, Community Services Director Bobbett suggested each Commissioner contact five local artists or organizations to obtain information regarding their needs related to performance and visual arts before holding a community meeting.

Chair Brady indicated support for each Commissioner contacting five local artists or organizations to obtain information regarding their needs related to performance and visual arts. She requested the item be brought back for discussion at the Commission's October 22, 2019 Regular meeting.

**CONSENSUS**

By consensus, the Commission agreed to contact five local artists or organizations and bring the item back for discussion at the October 22, 2019 Regular meeting.

**ITEM 6 STAFF UPDATES**

Community Services Deputy Director Riesgo provided staff updates on the Local Author Series and the Art Utility Box Project. She stated the Commission's November Regular meeting was scheduled for November 26, 2019, and the December Regular meeting was scheduled for December 24, 2019. She inquired if the Commission wanted to reschedule the November and December Regular meetings, which were scheduled to take place during the week of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

**CONSENSUS**

By consensus, the Commission agreed to cancel the Regular Meetings on November 26, 2019, and December 24, 2019, and schedule a Special meeting on December 3, 2019, at 9:00 A.M. at City Hall Council Chambers.

**ITEM 7 COMMISSIONER REPORTS, COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES**

Chair Brady stated the Malibu Foundation would partner with multiple community organizations to provide assistance to artists affected by the Woolsey Fire. She stated a screening of the documentary film *Johnny Strange: Born to Fly* would be held on October 24, 2019, at Malibu City Hall.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Water Treatment Facility Fence Artwork  
Performance and Visual Arts Center

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** At 8:07 p.m., Chair Brady moved, and Commissioner Eldon seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved and adopted by the Cultural Arts  
Commission of the City of Malibu on October  
22, 2019.

  
VERONICA BRADY, Chair

ATTEST:

  
BRITTANY SALEAUMUA, Administrative Assistant