

**MINUTES OF THE ARTS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
Thursday, November 30, 2023
Council Chambers
8400 Laguna Palms Way**

1) CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The special meeting of the Art Commission was called to order by Chair Nan Mahon at 6:29PM on November 30, 2023.

Present: Nan Mahon, Sally Guttridge, Liz Irons, and Leslie Sandefur.

Also Present: Vanessa McGill, Shelly Willis, Christopher Jordan, and Gary Mendoza.

2) PUBLIC COMMENT: None

3) GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

3.1 Minutes from the October 26, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Sally Guttridge moved to approve the minutes as presented. Liz Irons seconded the motion and minutes were approved as presented.

3.2 Vanessa McGill provided an update on the commission budget. The Commission budget is currently \$36,722.37 after spending \$200 for gift cards for Copa Club volunteers.

4) REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS/POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 SUBJECT: Public Art Program for Elk Grove Zoo – Christopher Jordan, Director of Strategic Planning and Innovation, and Shelly Willis, City Art Consultant, presented new Zoo renderings to better depict the areas of the Zoo with art opportunities and the proposed art budget. The proposed art budget for Phase 1A and 1B would be:

- Entry piece	\$900,000
- Green Corridor	\$550,000
- Plan Area	\$320,000
SUBTOTAL	\$1,770,000

Program Admin, Construction Management, Contingency	\$440,000
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PROJECT TOTAL: \$2,210,000

The Commission agreed with the locations and the budget as presented. Shelly mentioned that by Spring of 2024 the call to artists would go out for a nationwide search.

4.2 SUBJECT: Public Art Plan for New Elk Grove Library
No Update

4.3 SUBJECT: Public Art Projects

4.3.1 Old Town Plaza Sculpture

Shelly gave an update that receiving permits for this project is set to happen sometime this week. There was an issue with the footings that caused a delay but that has now been resolved.

4.4 SUBJECT: Commission Projects

4.4.1 Trail Signage Proposal Update - Leslie mentioned no update at this time.

4.4.2 Old Town Plaza Container Mural – Liz said Darrell Doan, Economic Development Director, has taken this project over and it can be removed from future agendas.

4.4.3 Plinth for Music Sculpture – Lana is working to obtain quotes as this is a Public Works project.

4.4.4 Blues Festival- Nan presented the idea of a Blues Festival. After some discussion the Commissioners decided their focus would be better spent on this Festival and to no longer hold the Iris Awards on May 23, 2024. Tentative date for the Festival will be Sunday, July 21, 2024 at District56. Nan will work to find Blues bands and would like to continue the discussion regarding this event on the next agenda.

4.4.5 Repair of Utility Box Wrap at Lotz/Big Horn – Lana is waiting for quotes back from The Sign Center.

4.4.6 Possible Mural at 9300 Elk grove Florin Rd. – Cheryl was absent and unable to report on this, however, notes were provided from Lana that mentioned the retaining wall at this location is private property and the City is unable to utilize public funds to enhance the property.

4.5 SUBJECT: Events

4.5.1 Iris Awards 2024 – As mentioned in earlier discussion, this event has been cancelled so the Commission can now focus on a new event in July 2024.

5) COMMISSION COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

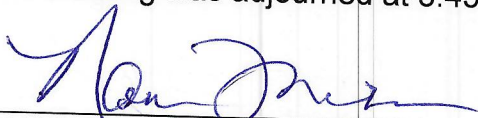
Sally asked about the possibility of wrapping utility boxes at three more locations in Elk Grove that get tagged often. They are asking that Lana work with Public Works/Code Enforcement to identify these locations based on See Click Fix reporting. They would like to see the list at the next meeting.

REMINDERS:

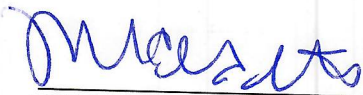
- Illumination Festival on Sat, Dec 2nd at District56.
- Next Commission meeting is on Thursday, Jan 25th, 2024.

6) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM by Chair Mahon.



NAN MAHON, CHAIR
ELK GROVE ARTS COMMISSION



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