

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A Virtual Meeting of the City of Redondo Beach Public Art Commission was called to order by Chair Lapin at 7:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Cagle, Klein, Lapin, Milley, Pucci, Richardson, Sharma

Commissioners Absent: None

Officials Present: John LaRock, Director, Community Services  
Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

**C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Chair Lapin led in the Salute to the Flag.

**D. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA**

Community Services Director John LaRock removed Item F.2 from the agenda.

Chair Lapin reported the minutes listed under Item F.2 were approved on January 22, 2020 and the minutes from that meeting will be included in the Commission's November agenda for approval.

Motion by Commissioner Pucci, seconded by Commissioner Klein, to approve the Order of Agenda, as amended. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS**

Chair Lapin reported Director of Community Services LaRock submitted two documents relative to Item No. J.4.

Motion by Commissioner Klein, seconded by Commissioner Pucci, to receive and file the Blue Folder Items. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**F. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**F.1 Approve Affidavit of Posting of the Public Art Commission Regular Meeting of September 23, 2020**

## **F.2 Approve Minutes of the Regular Public Art Commission Regular Meeting of September 25, 2019**

This item was removed from this agenda as the minutes listed were approved during the meeting of January 22, 2020. Approval of the minutes from the meeting of January 22, 2020 will be included in the Commission's November meeting agenda.

## **F.3 Public Art Fund Report**

## **F.4 Schedule of 2020-21 Public Art Commission Meetings**

Chair Lapin noted the next meeting of the Public Art Commission is scheduled for November 25, 2020, which is the eve before Thanksgiving and suggested changing the meeting to another date in November and asked that if, in the future, the regular meeting of the Public Art Commission falls on the eve before Thanksgiving, that it be rescheduled to an alternate day of the week.

Director of Community Services LaRock suggested making a referral later in the meeting and suggested schedule changes be considered on an annual basis rather than it being a blanket policy change.

Director of Community Services LaRock reported there were no comments from the public on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Klein, seconded by Commissioner Pucci, to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

## **G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - None**

## **H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

### **H.1 For eComments and Emails Received from the Public**

Director of Community Services LaRock announced there no were public comments on this item.

## **I. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None**

## **J. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION**

### **J.1 Subcommittee Reports**

Director of Community Services LaRock referenced the Commission's two standard subcommittees, for murals and for marketing and asked for a verbal report from members of the subcommittees.

Commissioner Klein explained Commissioner Milley has the subcommittee reports but due to technical problems relative to audio, he was unable to present them.

Director of Community Services LaRock suggested sending the reports to him to include in the agenda, in advance and presenting them at the next meeting of the Public Art Commission.

Director of Community Services LaRock announced there no were public comments on this item.

## **J.2 Riviera Village Association Utility Box Beautification Proposal**

Director of Community Services LaRock provided the staff report addressing a demonstration utility box, a request by the Riviera Village Association that the Public Art Commission assume the beautification of the remaining seven utility boxes in the village, locations of the boxes, required permissions and recommendations.

Chair Lapin asked whether it would be appropriate for the Commission to request that, prior to installation, the artwork be presented to the Public Art Commission for review and approval. Director of Community Services LaRock reported the Association will need time to request appropriate permissions for utility boxes that do not belong to the City; noted they will send proposed artwork to staff and if it is within the Commission's realm of design, they will be presented to the Commission in November.

In reply to Commissioner Klein's question, Director of Community Services LaRock reported this will be their "mini project"; listed their responsibilities and stated he has informed them that staff is available to be a resource for them but otherwise, this is their project.

Commissioner Pucci and Chair Lapin commented positively on the concept and believed it will make the village area, cohesive.

Director of Community Services LaRock announced there no were public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Milley, seconded by Commissioner Klein, to receive and file the report and approve the proposal per staff's recommendations. Motion carried 6-1, by roll call vote, with Commissioner Richardson, opposed.

## **J.3 Utility Box Locations**

Director of Community Services LaRock presented the staff report addressing locations for blank canvas utility boxes throughout the City; discussed currently available boxes, separated by District; talked about two of the boxes falling under the Riviera Village proposal; noted necessary permissions for boxes not owned by the City; spoke about the need for a "Plan B" concept if permissions are not granted and the probability of getting "blanket permission" for all of the boxes not owned by the City and listed recommendations.

Chair Lapin identified the location of utility boxes not on the list and asked whether those are still viable to wrap. Director of Community Services LaRock reported those are Caltrans utility boxes; encouraged the Commission to report the locations back to his office so that staff may include them in the list for possible wrapping; talked about the success of the pilot program; confirmed that all City-owned boxes are available to choose from and noted the initiative is to provide as much art in public places as possible.

Commissioner Milley noted the Commission had asked for help with obtaining images of the various locations; reported it was extremely helpful and thanked staff for providing them.

Commissioner Cagle spoke positively on the number of submissions and stated she was glad the City is moving forward with the project.

Commissioner Sharma felt some of the concept submissions did not fit with the specifications of some of the utility boxes and suggested developing templates for the various boxes to expedite the process. Director of Community Services LaRock noted challenges in terms of staff time for measuring all the utility boxes; discussed the process for the original ten boxes and stated that to date, there have been no issues relative to scalability of the submitted artwork and the vendors ability to install it.

Commissioner Klein explained the process she went through in modifying and installing her artwork on a utility box; agreed with Commissioner Sharma and suggested providing options for various styles of boxes (i.e., vertical versus horizontal layouts).

Chair Lapin suggested the call for artists include examples of the types of boxes to help artists choose from the options to develop their concepts.

Commissioners Klein and Sharma agreed.

Director of Community Services LaRock reported he has begun working on modifying the artist application to streamline the process and agreed to provide two or more templates to inform artists of general differences in available boxes and let them know that modifications will be expected as there are no two boxes, alike.

Director of Community Services LaRock announced there no were public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Pucci, seconded by Commissioner Cagle, to receive and file the report. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

#### **J.4 Utility Box Public Art Program Submissions**

Director of Community Services LaRock presented details of utility box public art program submissions noting 99 concepts were submitted by 39 artists and referenced a matrix with information about the artists.

Chair Lapin suggested picking an initial ten boxes (two for each district) and assigning corresponding artwork to each.

Commissioner Richardson discussed the importance of considering the box locations and giving context to each location.

Chair Lapin noted some of the boxes are complicated; referenced submissions by Simon Dixon; added that two of his submissions would work well as a combination; discussed the need to be creative in specific box locations; suggested Commissioners review the concepts and return at the next meeting with recommendations.

Commissioner Sharma suggested choosing the ten boxes at this time as well as the corresponding artwork to streamline the process.

Chair Lapin noted everything is under consideration and the list will be available for the Commission to consider at any time and nothing will be removed. She added that if the Commission decides on which ten boxes to wrap, then Commissioners can return with recommendations for artwork for each, at the next meeting.

Discussion followed regarding picking the box locations first or the artwork first. A poll of the Commission resulted in a majority (4-3) in favor of choosing box locations during this meeting.

Director of Community Services LaRock announced there no were public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Milley, seconded by Commissioner Cagle, to receive and file the Utility Box Public Art Program Submissions, as amended by Blue Folder Items Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

Motion by Commissioner Pucci, seconded by Commissioner Klein, to reopen Item No. J.3. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

The Commission reviewed the box locations in District 1 and declared their individual preferences. The Commission chose from the following, by individual poll: Camino Real/Helberta, Avenue I/Esplanade, Prospect/Camino Real, Prospect/Palos Verdes and Camino Real/LaCosta.

The Commission concurred to proceed with utility boxes for District 1 at Esplanade/Avenue I, and Prospect/Camino Real.

The Commission reviewed the box locations in District 2 and declared their individual preferences. The Commission chose from the following, by individual poll: Harbor/Portofino Way, Prospect/Diamond, Prospect/Torrance, Coral Way/Fisherman's Wharf and Harbor Dr/Beryl West.

The Commission concurred to proceed with utility boxes for District 2 at Coral Way/Fisherman's Wharf, and Harbor Dr/Beryl West.

Commissioner Pucci left the meeting at this juncture (8:48 p.m.).

The Commission reviewed the box locations in District 3 and declared their individual preferences. The Commission chose from the following, by individual poll: 190<sup>th</sup>/Blossom and Anita/Harkness.

The Commission concurred to proceed with utility boxes for District 3 at 190<sup>th</sup>/Blossom and Anita/Harkness.

The Commission reviewed the box locations in District 4 and declared their individual preferences. The Commission chose from the following, by individual poll: Aviation/Ford, Hawthorne/Artesia, Artesia/Mackay, and Artesia/Rindge.

The Commission concurred to proceed with utility boxes for District 4 at Hawthorne/Artesia, and Aviation/Ford.

The Commission reviewed the box locations in District 5 and declared their individual preferences. The Commission chose from the following, by individual poll: Aviation/Space Park Dr, and Manhattan Beach/Vail.

The Commission concurred to proceed with utility boxes for District 5 at Aviation/Space Park Dr, and Manhattan Beach/Vail.

Chair Lapin summarized the utility box locations chosen by the Commission, per District, as follows:

- District 1: Esplanade/Avenue I  
Prospect/Camino Real
- District 2: Coral Way/Fisherman's Wharf  
Harbor Dr/Beryl West
- District 3: 190<sup>th</sup>/Blossom  
Anita/Harkness
- District 4: Hawthorne/Artesia  
Aviation/Ford
- District 5: Aviation/Space Park Dr  
Manhattan Beach/Vail

Director of Community Services LaRock announced there no were public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Milley, seconded by Commissioner Cagle, to approve the ten utility box locations as summarized above and return with artwork assignment suggestions to the next Commission meeting. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote, with Commissioner

Pucci, absent.

## **K. MEMBER ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF**

Commissioner Cagle thanked everyone appointed to the Public Art Commission at the recent Council meeting; expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve and congratulated Commissioner colleagues.

Director of Community Services LaRock confirmed Council acted to recommend four terms, 2020-2024 for Commissioners Cagle, Klein, Lapin, Pucci, and Sharma.

Chair Lapin announced the Redondo Beach Police Department Mosaic Mural has been completed and installation is scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup>; noted the sponsor brick will be installed at the same time and hoped there will be a dedication when the City opens up.

Director of Community Services LaRock reported the Department is working on having a virtual unveiling.

Chair Lapin referenced the Public Art Commission schedule for November 25, 2020, suggested changing the meeting to another date in November that does not coincide with the week of Thanksgiving.

Director of Community Services LaRock noted staff would need to determine the availability of resources, poll Members of the Commission for a quorum and schedule a special meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Klein, seconded by Commissioner Cagle, to direct staff to change the meeting date of the Public Art Commission in November to one that is available. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote, with Commissioner Pucci, absent.

Chair Lapin recognized Director of Community Services LaRock for his extra effort and hard work in facilitating the meeting.

Director of Community Services LaRock noted the City Clerk, her staff, and the Information Technology Department have worked furiously in the effort and thanked them for their work.

## **L. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Milley motioned, seconded by Commissioner Klein, to adjourn at 9:48 p.m., to the next Public Art Commission meeting on Wednesday, November 25, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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Laurie Koike  
Interim Director of Community Services