



City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture
PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE (PAC)

MINUTES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Members Present

Ben Meza, Chair
Michael Brown, Vice Chair
Tiffany Wai-Ying Beres
Anthony Graham
Larry Herzog
Eun Jung Park
Janet Poutré, Ex Officio

Members Absent

Linda Caballero Sotelo
Derrick Cartwright
Doreen Schonbrun

Staff Present

Lara Bullock
Jonathon Glus
Christine E. Jones
Charles G. Miller

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- I. Call to Order – Commissioner Ben Meza called the City of San Diego (City) Commission for Arts and Culture’s Public Art Committee (PAC) to order at 9:38 a.m. at the City Council Committee Room – 12th Floor, City Administration Building, 202 C Street, San Diego, California 92101.
- II. Non-agenda Public Comment – None
- III. Chair’s Reports
- A. Commission Business – Commissioner Ben Meza announced the grand opening of the new San Ysidro Branch Library to occur on September 7. Meza then noted the new public artworks at the library by the de la Torre brothers, and encouraged PAC members to attend. Meza then noted that at the July 26, 2019 Commission for Arts and Culture (Commission) meeting, the Commission recommended Eun Jung Park for the seat of the PAC member with Ben Meza as an alternate, and Denise Rogers for the seat of the visual art and design professional to serve as two of the five ad hoc artist selection panelists for the Fairmount Fire Station Public Art Project.
- B. ACTION – July 8, 2019 Minutes – Commissioner Ben Meza introduced the item. **Anthony Graham made a motion to approve the PAC minutes of July 8, 2019. Eun Jung Park seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-1; the motion passed.** [Michael Brown arrived at 9:40]
Yea: Graham, Herzog, Meza, Park, and Wai-Ying Beres (5)
Nay: (0)
Abstention: Brown (1)
Recusal: (0)
- C. Other Reports – None

- IV. **ACTION – Final Artwork Proposal for Pure Water North City by Christian Moeller** – Senior Public Art Manager Charles G. Miller provided background on the Pure Water North City Public Art Project and introduced artist Christian Moeller to present the proposal. Moeller then presented the proposal. PAC members discussed the proposal and asked questions about the transportation and installation plan, the paving surface around the artwork, the artwork’s kinetic elements, the orientation of the artwork with respect to prevailing wind, and the inclusion of didactics. **Michael Brown made a motion to recommend to the Commission that the Executive Director of the Commission accept the final artwork proposal by Christian Moeller in fulfillment of the City’s collecting mission, collection scope and accession criteria as established in Section 5 – Collecting Mission, Section 6 – Scope of the Collection and Section 8.2 – Accession Criteria of the Commission’s Department Instruction 1.00 – Collection Management Policy for the Civic Art Collection. Tiffany Wai-Ying Beres seconded the motion. The vote was 6-0-0; the motion passed.**

Yea: Brown, Graham, Herzog, Meza, Park and Wai-Ying Beres (6)

Nay: (0)

Abstention: (0)

Recusal: (0)

V. **Reports**

- A. **Staff Reports** – Charles G. Miller announced the grand opening of the new San Ysidro branch library which includes public artworks by the de la Torre brothers. Miller noted that the event would be held on September 7th and provided an outline of the event’s agenda which included an artist talk by the de la Torre brothers. Miller then encourage PAC members to attend. Civic Art Project Manager Lara Bullock noted that additional works from the Civic Art Collection will be on view in the library as well. Miller then reminded PAC members of the Commission’s current public art opportunities, including the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Fairmount Avenue Fire Station Public Art Project, open through September 26, the RFQ for Public Art / Public Sphere: A 3-Day Intensive for Artists, open through October 4th. Miller provided a synopsis of these opportunities, and encouraged PAC members to reach out to potential candidates. PAC members asked questions about the number of participants that would be admitted to Public Art/Public Sphere: A 3-Day Intensive for artists, as well as costs to attend, the list of presenters, the potential for PAC member involvement, and the hyperlinks to apply for the opportunities online. Miller then reminded PAC members about the exhibition that the office of the Commission is organizing for the lobby of the City’s new office spaces under development at 101 Ash Street. Miller concluded by noting that artist Roman de Salvo’s artwork for the new Mission Trails Field Station would be installed soon, and that the facility will be open to the public in early 2020.

- B. **Committee Member Reports** – None

- VI. **Adjourn** – Commissioner Meza adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m.