



City of Santa Rosa

637 First Street
First Floor, Large Conference
Room
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Art in Public Places Committee Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, February 3, 2025

3:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Baumgartner called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Chair Anne Baumgartner, Committee Member Nathan Azhderian, Committee Member Deble Faulkner, Committee Member Kristin Kiefer, Committee Member Jeff Nathanson, and Committee Member Lisa Puentes

Absent 1 - Committee Member Paul Steward

3. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED)

None.

4. MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Baumgartner opened and closed public comment at 3:35 p.m.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 Draft Minutes - January 6, 2025.

Approved as submitted.

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Arts and Culture Coordinator Meredith Knudsen thanked Chair Baumgartner for her service as chair and wished her well in the future.

Chair Baumgarnter said her goodbyes to Committee Members and staff.

8. SCHEDULED ITEMS

8.1

Colgan Creek Mural

Staff will present an update on the Colgan Creek Mural Request for Qualifications.

Recommended Action: Select 1-2 APPC members for the artwork selection panel.

Staff Knudsen presented.

Committee Members provided comments and feedback.

A motion was made by Committee Member Nathanson, seconded by Committee Member Faulkner, to appoint Committee Member Puentes to the selection panel.

Yes: 6 - Chair Baumgartner, Committee Member Azhderian, Committee Member Faulkner, Committee Member Kiefer, Committee Member Nathanson and Committee Member Puentes

Absent: 1 - Committee Member Steward

8.2

Earthbound: Art for a Sustainable Future

Staff will present an overview of call for art, recommended finalists, and proposed budget increase from the selection panel.

Recommended Action: Approve artwork recommendations and increase total artist stipends to \$25,000.

Staff Knudsen presented.

Staff Knudsen responded to Committee Member inquiries.

The Committee discussed the project among themselves.

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A motion was made by Vice-Chair Kiefer, seconded by Committee Member Nathanson, to approve the artwork recommendations and increase the total artist stipends to \$25,000.

Yes: 6 - Chair Baumgartner, Committee Member Azhderian, Committee Member Faulkner, Committee Member Kiefer, Committee Member Nathanson and Committee Member Puentes

Absent: 1 - Committee Member Steward

8.3

Program Update

Staff will present an Arts and Culture program update.

Recommended Action: Information Only.

Staff Knudsen reported.

Staff Knudsen responded to Committee Member inquiries.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Member Nathanson reported on an exhibition he is curating for artist John Wehrle and an exhibition of sculpture he is curating for Paradise Ridge Winery titled "Return to Paradise."

Committee Member Azhderian reported on an upcoming art show on February 9th for a San Francisco-based painter.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Baumgartner adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m.

Approved on: May 5, 2025

/s Jack Reynolds, Recording Secretary