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APPROVED MINUTES

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE
 CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
 MINUTES OF December 12, 2023

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE:

The notice of the meeting was posted on December 11, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Mills-Thyssen called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL: **Present:** Chair Mills-Thyssen, Vice Chair Stucker and Committee Members Langberg, Brent, and Harris
 Absent: None
 Staff: Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director, Nzuzi Mahungu, Planning Technician

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: none.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

4. STATEMENTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.

5. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Election of Chair

Chair Mills-Thyssen announced her resignation as Chair. Chair Mills-Thyssen nominated Robert Brent as Chair. Harris seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0-1, with Harris, Stucker, Mills-Thyssen, and Langberg voting 'yes' and Brent abstaining.

B. Ned Kahn Sculpture Update

Director Svanstrom provided an update and current schedule.

The Committee discussed this item.

C. Sculpture Garden Submission Review

Director Svanstrom provided an update.

Vice Chair Stucker moved and Chair Brent seconded to deny the piece by Mirka Knaster "Wheels of Peace". Motion passed 4-1, with C. Harris 'no'.

Vice Chair Stucker moved to have PAC contact the artist to discuss next steps. Mills-Thysen seconded. Motion was withdrawn by VC Stucker

Chair Brent moved to reconsider the motion to deny the application. Mill-Thysen seconded. Motion passed unanimously, denial is rescinded.

Concerns included size and how it would be arranged on the sculpture garden site, durability of materials, and a few others.

Chair Brent moved that we contact the artist directly to discuss specifications and concerns before a vote to accept or deny the application. VC Stucker seconded the motion. PAC discussed. Motion passed unanimously. Robert and Jeff to meet with artist on the site; Jeff to contact.

Robert Michael Smith submission:

PAC discussed. Langberg made motion to accept piece with the condition that the base be resolved when installed. Mills-Thysen seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Robert Brent to coordinate with artist.

Peter Crompton / Robin Crompton Submissions:

VC Stucker moved and Mills-Thysen seconded to accept Nautilus sculpture for garden. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Brent moved to accept Cassandra with pythons and work with the artists to ; Harris seconded. Brent amended that if the pythons don't work, that we accept the Cassandra piece alone. Motion passed unanimously.

VC Stucker made a motion to accept the poodle for the CSG. No second, motion failed. Chair Brent moved to deny the poodle application, Harris seconded. 4-1 denied, with VC Stucker a 'no'.

D. Potential Sculpture Sites for Future Calls

The Committee discussed this item; no formal action was taken.

7. PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT

Updates given to committee.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Committee Member Stucker made a motion to adjourn the meeting.