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UNAPPROVED DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE
CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE:

The notice of the meeting was posted on September 17, 2026.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Waters called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chair Gavin Waters,
Committee Member Robert Brent,
Committee Member Lynn Deedler,
Committee Member Nicole Letaw, (arrived late)
Committee Member Don Greenberg
Absent: None
Staff: Mary Gourley, City Manager
Eli Arreola, Associate Planner
Tori Henkel, Permit Technician

3. **STATEMENTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None.

4. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

   a. Two members of the public commented on the ground beneath the Community Sculpture Garden.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** July 23, 2026

Committee Member Deedler made a motion to approve the minutes of July 23, 2026, as submitted.

Committee Member Greenberg seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0-1-1
Ayes: Committee Members Greenberg, Deedler, Chair Waters
Noes: None

Abstain: Committee Member Brent
Absent: Committee Member Letaw

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Boards, Commissions, and Committees Draft Handbook Discussion and Action was discussed with the following change:

a. Correction to the meeting day from Tuesday to Thursday

B. November Special Meeting Date Discussion and Action was discussed.

a. A special meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 1:00 pm.

C. Representative to Attend October 6, 2026, City Council Meeting Discussion and Action was discussed.

a. Chair Waters appointed himself to be the PAC representative.

D. Community Sculpture Garden Discussion and Action

a. Options for Two Remaining Empty Paddocks
b. Subcommittee Creation for New Artist Call (if needed)
c. Sculpture Signage

Committee Member Brent made a motion to re-issue the artist call via the Sebastopol Times, city website, and PAC members to publicize. The call will be open for 6 weeks. The PAC will review the submissions at their next meeting in November. The PAC suggests three views of each piece be submitted as part of their submittal package. Artists will submit to the planning@cityofsebastopol.gov email. There is a $250 stipend for each in the current budget.

Committee Member Greenberg seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0-0-0
Ayes: Committee Members Greenberg, Letaw, Deedler, Brent, Chair Waters
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Additionally, the Committee discussed the idea of having more signage at the Community Sculpture Garden so passersby know the artwork is for sale. They suggested updating the city web page with the current art pieces and then having a QR code on the main Sculpture Garden sign lead them to the city website with sale and artist information listed. In the future, they would like to discuss putting sale info on each sign.

E. Ives Park Pool Mural Discussion was discussed.

F. Pomo/Miwok Mural Discussion and Action was discussed.

G. Public Art Funding Discussion was discussed.

H. City Entrance Signs Discussion was postponed to the next meeting.

I. **Bike Rack Beautification Discussion was postponed to the next meeting.**

7. **SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**

8. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

9. **PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT was given by staff.**

10. **ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Waters adjourned the meeting of the Sebastopol Public Arts Committee at 3:00 p.m. The next regular Public Arts Committee meeting will be held on November 26, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.