

# CITY OF MILPITAS

## MINUTES

### ARTS COMMISSION

**Minutes:** Regular Meeting of the Arts Commission.

**Date of Meeting:** August, 26, 2019

**Place of Meeting:** Milpitas City Hall Committee Conference Room

**I. Call to Order:** Chair Agg called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**II. Roll Call:** Commissioners Present: Agg, Besler, Driggers, Hays, Santos and Strauss  
City Council Liaison: Absent  
City Staff Present: Tegan McLane – Recreation Assistant Director  
Rosana Cacao – Recreation Services Supervisor  
Justin Yount – Public Services Assistant

**III. Seating of Alternates** None

**IV. Approval of Agenda:** **MOTION** to approve the agenda for August 26, 2019 as submitted.  
**M/S:** Hays/Driggers **Ayes:** All

**V. Approval of Minutes:** **MOTION** to approve minutes for May 28, 2019 as submitted.  
**M/S:** Hays/Driggers **Ayes:** All

**VI. Public Forum:**

Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association Treasurer Rob Means informed the Commission that the neighborhood hopes to be a pilot location for a Personal Rapid Transit loop, and that it might offer a public art opportunity.

Milpitas Arts and Culture Grant recipient and Milpitas business owner Patti Jensen, spoke about her Fancy Dancers troupe and their challenges producing shows in the Milpitas Community Center Auditorium.

Milpitas resident Ann Zeise encouraged the Commission to support establishing a functioning community television station, as a community TV channel could be used to promote the arts.

**VII. Announcements and Correspondence**

None

**VIII. Old Business**

**1. Visual/Cultural Subcommittee – Chairperson Agg  
Arts Projects – Commissioner Hays**

Chairperson Agg expressed an interest in collaborating with the Milpitas Unified School district in hopes of encouraging more student participation in regards to the arts. He also suggested working with the Milpitas Library and the Golden Hills Association to promote more visual/cultural arts in the community. Commissioner Hays presented a PowerPoint slideshow of various simple and complex sidewalk art that could enhance visual arts throughout the City of Milpitas.

**2. Higuera Adobe Public Art Project Voting Results – Staff Cacao**

Staff Cacao presented the report. Staff displayed art maquettes at Higuera Park and other locations and invited the community to vote for their preferred design. A third design proposal was approved at the March 25 Arts Commission meeting. All voting concluded on July 25. The Voellger Family input was also received. The Circle of Time design by Artist James Dinh obtained majority of the votes and was preferred by the family. Arts Commission's recommendation will be presented and approved at the next PRCRC meeting on September 9 before heading to City Council for final adoption.

**MOTION** to recommend Circle of Time design to the PRCRC meeting on September 9, 2019 for approval.

**M/S:** Hays/Driggers

**Ayes:** All

**3. 2019-2020 Commission Update and Work Plan Review – Staff McLane**

Staff is seeking input from the Commission in regards to their Work Plan for the 2019-2020 year. Staff McLane reviewed current plan goals and/or projects with the Commission and received additional tasks/edits to add to the Work Plan. Final Work Plan will be submitted for consideration at a future City Council meeting.

**MOTION** to approve Work Plan with additional tasks/edits and forward to City Council for approval.

**M/S:** Driggers/Strauss

**Ayes:** All

**X. New Business**

**1. Milpitas Arts and Cultural Grant – Chair Agg**

As part of the Work Plan, the Commission would like to encourage Milpitas artists and/or organizations to apply. There was discussion about approaching City Council to restore the cash portion of the Milpitas Arts and Culture Grants.

**2. Commissioner Handbook Review – City Staff**

In 2018, City Council adopted a Commissioner Handbook to guide commissioners in various areas such as attendance policy, staff roles, term limits, work plans and so forth. This Handbook is to be used by Commissioners as a useful tool and resource throughout their term(s). Staff distributed Handbook to all Commissioners, highlighted changes and answered questions.

**XI. Liaison Report**

1. City Council – none
2. Staff Report – none

**XII. Future Agenda Items**

**Budget – Funds allocated, limitations, etc.**

**XIII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28pm to the next scheduled meeting on September 23, 2019.