



HERITAGE ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Virtual Meeting
Meeting of Tuesday, April 27, 2021
9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Debbie Baker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Debbie Baker, Francis Carbajal, Sally Gaitan,
Gabriel Jimenez, William K. Rounds, Maria
Salazar

Absent:

Laurie Rios

City Council Liaison:

Annette Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem

Staff: Joyce Ryan, Library Services Division
Director/Executive Secretary

Maritza Sosa Nieves, Management Analyst II

Immanuel Caldon, Administrative Assistant II

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Sally Gaitan and seconded by Francis Carbajal to approve the minutes of March 30th, 2021. The motion was carried unanimously.

5. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem Annette Rodriguez informed the committee that the Moderna vaccine will be distributed to residents and business residents at Town Center Hall.

The mobile unit that utilizes the "Options for Learning" program is going to be removed from the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center on June 25th.

The City Council will keep the members of HAAC posted if the Fourth of July and Summer Concerts at the Park event will be taking place.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez also informed the members that a goal-setting meeting will be taking place on Sunday, May 2 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. In this meeting, City Council will discuss any goals and improvements that the City will need going forward.

City Council approved the park renovations from grants provided by Ian Calderon. A new outdoor fitness center was approved and possible paint color changes for the park buildings.

Lastly, Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez has advocated that the City of Santa Fe Springs partner with the Whittier Union High School District and Santa Fe Springs High School to purchase the display banners, tall flags, and lawn signs and place them along the Orr and Day Road to congratulate the upcoming 500 graduates at SFHS.

6. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT
NONE

7. PLANNING DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR REPORT
NONE

8. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Executive Secretary, Joyce Ryan reported on the following:

- a) March 2021 – Ms. Ryan provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Financial Reports for the period of March 2021. Copies were distributed to members for their review. Balance: \$1.60 million.

A motion was made by Debbie Baker and seconded by William K. Rounds to approve the FY 2020/2021 Financial Reports for the period ending on March 2021. The motion was carried unanimously.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- ***Photos of Heritage Artwork in Public Places and Scavenger Hunt Activity***

Maritza Sosa Nieves, Management Analyst II, reported to the committee that Aimee Matsumoto, Program Assistant, and Immanuel Caldon, Administrative Assistant II, finished and edited 100+ photos of the art pieces. The pictures are now on the HAAP website and featured on the City's social media platforms.

Additionally, since the Art Walk and SFS Art Fest will not be taking place as originally planned, Ms. Sosa-Nieves informed the committee that the City will introduce a "scavenger hunt" that will take place in May and June. She encouraged the members of the HAAC to review all the scavenger hunt questions and invite individuals to participate in the event. She

reported that the winner of the contest will receive an art-related prize.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- **2021 Art Fest Cancellation**

Staff is asking for the HAAC to vote on the issue of whether or not to cancel the SFS Art Fest in November 2021 and subsequently make that recommendation to the City Council for their review and approval. The members had had concerns regarding the feasibility of having two major events in one fiscal year, the burden then placed on sponsors and vendors, the possibility of inclement weather, and the further issues with health protocols. Ms. Ryan also told the members that Sandra Hahn would use the \$10,000 she had received this year to offset costs for next year's event.

A motion was made by William K. Rounds and seconded by Francis Carbajal to approve the cancellation of the November 2021 SFS Art Fest. The motion was carried unanimously.

- **Review and Approve FY 2021-2022 Art Education Grant Guidelines**

Maritza Sosa-Nieves, Management Analyst II, reported that the Art Education Guidelines are ready to be discussed. The Art Education Grant Guidelines will need to be approved by the HAAC in preparation for the FY 2021-2022 Art Grant Program.

Francis Carbajal raised a concern that, given the price and the size of the Santa Fe Springs Christian School's fundraiser, fundraising should be allowed in the guidelines.

Ms. Ryan informed the committee that it is standard practice for grants to restrict fundraising. Debbie Baker, Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, and Gabriel Jimenez expressed their concerns that allowing fundraising will add more complications to the grant.

A motion was made by Gabriel Jimenez and seconded by Maria Salazar to revise the Art Education Grant Guidelines to restrict any resale of items funded by the grant. Debbie Baker, Francis Carbajal, Gabriel Jimenez, and Maria Salazar voted yay. Sally Gaitan voted nay. The motion passed.

Ms. Sosa- Nieves will add a sentence on item 16 in the Art Education Grant Guidelines regarding the resale of items funded by the grant.

Revised guidelines will be sent to all Santa Fe Springs schools as they begin to complete their Art Education Grant applications and submit them by the deadline of June 11, 2021.

11. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

- *Upcoming Community Service Events – Joyce Ryan, Executive Secretary reported on the following:*

- 1) Distributing of the Moderna Vaccine:
April 28th from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at TCH
- 2) Senior Health and Fitness Day:
May 26th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at GVNC
- 3) Pulse Surveys:
May 2nd for:
Aquatics: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SFSAquatics21>
Camps: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SFSCamps21>
- 4) Park Amenities Reopening:
TBA around June 2021

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Band Wheel Restoration Update
- McCormick - Possible Art Piece
- Snake Basket Update
- Fossil Fountain Update
- Stolen Plaques Update
- Boxcar Renovation Update
- Plaque placement and possible lighting adjustments for Omni art piece

13. MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Francis Carbajal let the committee know that the Women's Club is looking for members and encouraged HAAC to join the Women's Club fundraiser.
- Gabriel Jimenez updated the committee that the batting cages located at Little Lake Park are now open.
- Debbie Baker invited members of HAAC to join the No-Show Gala fundraising event hosted by the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce. Information is located on their website at www.sfschamber.com
- Ms. Carbajal asked staff to fix the green tarp over the fencing that protects the Snake Basket fountain.

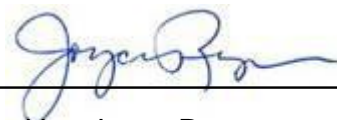
14. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairperson Baker adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 25th, 2021, at 9 a.m. via Zoom teleconference.



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Approved by: Joyce Ryan,
Executive Secretary