



HERITAGE ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Virtual Meeting
Meeting of Tuesday, October 26th, 2021
9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Laurie Rios called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Debbie Baker, Francis Carbajal, Sally Gaitan,
Gabriel Jimenez, A.J. Hayes, William K. Rounds,
Laurie Rios, Maria Salazar

Absent:

N/A

City Council Liaison:

Annette Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem

Staff:

Ed Ramirez, Family and Human Services Division Manager/ Executive
Secretary

Cuong Nguyen, Senior Planner

Sandra Hahn, Art Consultant

Immanuel Caldonga, Administrative Assistant II

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by AJ Hayes and seconded by Debbie Baker to approve the minutes of September 28th, 2021. The motion was carried unanimously.

5. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem Annette Rodriguez informed the committee that the city held a Red Ribbon Art contest. The City Council members went to the schools to pass out awards to the winners.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez also informed the committee that the Woman's

Club will host a refreshment booth at the Halloween Carnival.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez also informed the committee that there is Covid-19 testing at Little Lake Park on Tuesday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. This program will end in November.

The Woman's Club will have a Christmas boutique on November 5th. She encouraged the members of HAAC to come and support the Woman's Club.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez updated the members that the city will be starting construction for the Los Nietos outdoor fitness center. A ribbon-cutting will take place in 2022.

Lastly, a ribbon-cutting for Town Center Hall will take place in November 2021.

6. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

NONE

7. PLANNING DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR REPORT

Cuong Nguyen provided the Heritage Arts Advisory Committee with a brief update on the current progress on the City's Comprehensive General Plan and Targeted Zoning Code Update. He invited the committee to join one of the two upcoming community events: 1) City Council Study on November 2nd, 2021 at 5:00pm (both in-person or by Zoom); or 2) Community Workshop on November 17th, 2021 at 5:00pm (in person – open house style). Additional information on these meetings and other previous meetings and documents may be obtained by visiting the General Plan website at: www.reimaginesantafesprings.org.

Mr. Nguyen informed the committee that for the last three years, the Planning and Development Department has hosted an annual photo contest as one of several activities conducted by the Planning staff throughout the month of October. This year the contest will have three categories: Youth (up to 12 years old); Teens (13-17 years old) and Adults (18 and over). The contest is open to anyone who lives, works or studies in Santa Fe Springs. A \$100 cash prize will be awarded to the winner in each category. Each winner will also be recognized at a future City Council meeting and featured within an upcoming City Quarterly.

8. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Executive Secretary, Edmund Ramirez reported on the following:

a) Financial Report

September 2021 – Mr. Ramirez provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 financial report for the period of September 2021. Copies were distributed to members for their review. Balance: \$1.76 million.

A motion was made by Debbie Baker and seconded by Sally Gaitan to approve the FY 2021/2022 financial report for the period ending on September 2021. The motion was carried unanimously.

9. OLD BUSINESS

a) Silver lake Conservation art piece assessment update

Edmund Ramirez informed the committee that Silverlake Conservation is completing their written report that consists of 300 pages. The report includes pictures, costs, and details about the art pieces. The HAAC unanimously agreed to have Silverlake Conservation provide an overview of the written report. He will give an updated report at the next HAAC meeting.

b) Timken Company Foundation Grant Opportunity Sub Committee

Mr. Ramirez updated the committee that the Conservator will have his report finished by today. Additionally, Mr. Ramirez will apply for the grant by the end of the week. If the city does not get awarded the grant, there is another window to apply in February. He will give an updated report at the next HAAC meeting.

c) 2022 Art Fest Update

Sandra Hahn, art consultant, provided an update to the HAAC members regarding the planning of the 2022 Art Fest event scheduled for May 6, 2022. Ms. Hahn recommended artists, entertainment and other components of the event to the HAAC Members.

A motion was made by AJ Hayes and seconded by Gabriel Jimenez to approve the recommended artists and entertainment presented by Sandra Hahn. The motion was carried unanimously.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. In-person HAAC Meeting

Executive Secretary Ramirez provided an update to the HAAC members that there will be an in-person meeting on November 30th. Additionally, the committee will go dark in December.

11. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT 10:00

- *Upcoming Community Service Events – Edmund Ramirez, Executive Secretary reported on the following:*
 - 1) Pumpkin Carving at the Parks:
 - October 29th @ 3:30 p.m. in the Library
 - 2) Halloween Carnival:
 - October 31st @ 5:30 in Los Nietos Park
 - 3) Home Decorating Contest:
 - Deadline to submit entries - Saturday, December 4th
 - 4) Tree Lighting Ceremony:
 - December 4th in the Soaring Dreams Plaza
 - 5) Las Posadas:
 - December 10th @ 6:30 p.m. in Heritage Park.
 - 6) Santa Float:
 - Starts December 6th each weekday through December 17th
 - 7) Santa home visit:

- December 11th and December 18th
 - Registration begins on November 1st through 28th at www.sfsrec.org
 - Drawing will be held on November 29th
- 8) Special Day Camp Event-Grinchmas:
- December 19th
- 9) Holiday Basket Programs
- Thankful Neighbor
 - November 23rd
 - Neighborly Elf Christmas Basket Program
 - December 18th

Toy and Gift Card donations can be delivered to the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Galaxy and Glide Update
- Rexford Industrial Project

13. MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- AJ Hayes thanked Mr. Ramirez and his staff for hosting a successful Dia De Los Muertos event.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Laurie Rios adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 30th, 2021, at 9 a.m. via Zoom teleconference.



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Approved by: Ed Ramirez,
Executive Secretary