



Zoom Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

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Monday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. *Special Meeting Date*

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Colin Cole, Chair

A. Welcome and Roll Call

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 6:35p.m. by David Lotz, on behalf of Colin

B. Roll Call/Attendance via Zoom: *Colin, Chair*

Commissioners:

District 1 - Lia Blanchard - Present

District 2 - David Lotz - Present

District 3 - Colin Cole, Chair - Present

District 5 - Kari Johnson - Present

District 5 Alternate – Kate MacKenzie - Present

Staff:

Jeremy Husby, Division Manager - Present

Annique Bennett, Sustainable Tourism Development Specialist – Present

C. Introduction of Guests:

1. Sharon Swan, DCNR thanked the Commission for inviting her back to discuss the SR530 Memorial projects.
2. Nicole Ng-A-Qui, Commission At Large Applicant, from Stanwood, is excited about making connections and serving the community. Nicole shared she has traveled abroad and around the United States and has observed many cultural projects and works of arts that have inspired her to pursue this role. She has a landscape business; a Minor in Music / Performing Arts and is an accomplished pianist and vocalist.
3. Marty Ronish, with the Edmonds Floretum Club shared that the organization is turning 100 this year. The Club does beautification but also, environmental clean-up. A mosaic project is underway with an artist in a prominent location in Edmonds. The project is \$24K, overall but the Club would like to apply for \$2K from the County Arts and Culture Grant.
4. Jo Hull, Pacifica Chamber Orchestra is inviting the AC to the Zion Lutheran Church, six tickets are set aside for the Commissioners to attend. [PACIFICA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA - HOME](#)

2. MINUTES – APPROVAL (December 13, 2021) *David on behalf of Colin*

MSP – The December 13, 2021, Minutes were approved

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Election of 2022-2023 Officer Nominations: *Colin / Nominating Committee*

1. Colin Cole nominated for Commission Chair, passed unanimously
2. Kari Johnson, nominated for Vice Chair, passed unanimously

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Acquisition and Preservation *Colin, Chair*

- 1) Esperance Park (1%) – Completed
 - a. Tsovinar is looking at days that will be sunny in February or March. Once selected the date will be set and media release completed, invitations etc.
 - b. The plaque is completed and installed.
- 2) Flowing Lake (1%) – Ranger Office
 - a. The proposal from Laurie Olson was reviewed. The artwork represents the Wedding Circle and should provide sound buffering.
 - b. Commissioners can add additional art-related criteria to the rubric as long as the additions are equitable.
 - c. Each project needs its own scoring rubric and should be adapted according to each project.

MSP - The Selection of the Laurie Olson Flowing Lake Proposal was approved.

- 3) Haller Park/C.T. Bridge – Arlington
 - a. Meeting with Caroline Sumpter is delayed due to illness.
- 4) SR530 Slide Memorial
 - a. Sharon Swan, Parks Planning Manager shared that the Calls for Concepts process is beginning, and the families were made aware.
 - b. Two Calls need to be released, the Memorial Beacon, and the Individual Memorial panels representing the 26 family units lost.
 - c. The preliminary concepts are already established. New concepts will build on and refine designs.
 - d. Design of the panels will occur in 2022, with installation of the pieces to start in 2023.
 - e. The Memorial Panels, Beacon, Boots, Responder, Memorial Sculpture and quote will each have a reviewing committee composed of family members, DCNR staff and ad hoc Commission committees.
 - f. The selected artist may work with families to assist them with further customized designs, and/or staff can interface.

MSP - Release Calls for Concepts for the Individual Memorials, and the Beacon Memorial, was approved.

MSP – Table Financial Contribution for SR530 Memorial Project Discussion until February 28, 2022, Meeting, was approved.

B. Education and Outreach *Kate, Chair*

- 1) Listening Sessions are scheduled with municipal Cultural Arts staff across the County. Goals are to meet the staff and understand each city cultural programs.
- 2) Additional meetings with Local Arts Associations to further understand successes and challenges with the goals of being a supportive organizational partner.
- 3) Listening Sessions will be helpful to informing the 2023 Workplan but managing expectations about funding must be managed.

C. Marketing and Community Events *Kari, Chair*

- 1) Music on the Plaza, and Music in the Park are traditionally held relatively affluent event locations, and a re-vamp of the programs is under consideration for next year, and reallocation of the 2022 \$18K program budget was discussed.

- 2) Re-allocation to SR530 Memorial projects adheres to County Purchasing guidelines because the AC is authorized by the SCC to make Artist Calls, perform reviews, and recommend acquisitions.
- 3) If the \$18K program budget shifts to the grant program it will increase the line item, but the awards will remain limited to \$2K, the amount of Jeremy's signing authority delegated by Executive, and authorized by the County Council.
- 4) The broader topic of re-working fund allocations around revised funding priorities mid-year is possible was discussed.
 - 1) The annual timeline of work plan and budget development cycle begins with priorities created in March/April. The Executive's Office reviews priorities in June and July for Council to approval in November. The Commission can begin work on the process as soon as it would like to.
- 5) Exploring creative content development collaborations between the County Arts program, and the County's Seattle NorthCountry destination program, could produce quality assets to benefit both county-funded and managed programs was discussed.

D. Funding and Grants *David, Chair*

- 1) The need for a grant writer or intern to help with identifying additional fund sources was discussed.
- 2) The new Vision, Mission and Purpose establish a new basis for getting grant funds for re-granting.
- 3) The Arts Commission Grant will open by end of February.

5. **NEW BUSINESS** *Colin, Chair*

Discussion Topics:

- a. Budget Review
 - 1) Changes of funding priorities (acquisitions, grants, marketing, inventory software)
 - 2) Reallocations to fund new priorities
- b. Tabled Discussion about Financial Contribution for SR 530 Memorials
- c. Public art in public spaces

6. **OTHER BUSINESS/GOOD OF THE ORDER** *Colin, Chair*

A. Staff Reports *Jeremy/Annique*

1. Paine Field Triangle Property – Staff is researching if there is still interest.
2. Rotating Art Display – Staff is researching a new location in the Courthouse.
3. Microsoft Teams – a new Teams channel is set up as a collaborative / shared workspace for the AC and staff in between meetings, rather than working through emails. Further integration and set up is required.
4. Vision, Mission and Purpose hand outs were distributed to AC.
5. Ordinance change to turn Alternates into regular Commission seats is in process. All AC Alternates have voting power until the change is finalized.

B. "Round the Zoom" messages *All*

1. Nicole is a Stanwood resident with two young sons. She is looking forward to serving.
2. Marty Ronish showed the Edmonds Art map and said it is a great tool for Edmonds.

Next Meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2022 * Special Meeting Date Due to Holiday*

7. **ADJOURNMENT** *Colin, Chair*

MSP - The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.