



**ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

MILL VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
180 CAMINO ALTO
MILL VALLEY, CA 94941
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Coleen Byrne, Chair - present
Farrah Spott, Vice Chair - present
Nancy Elkus – present
Lizelle Green – present
Jeff Harris - present
Victoria Mimiaga – absent, excused
Jimmy Singer – present

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Staff present: Supervisor Given, Senior Administrative Assistant Buchholz, and Acting Deputy Director De Ferrari

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA ORDER

It was **MOVED** by **Vice Chair Spott** and **SECONDED** by **Commissioner Elkus** to Approve the Agenda Order. The Motion was carried by a 6 - 0 vote with **None** dissenting.

COMMISSION AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Given reported on the following:

Donna D’Acuti’s Chinese Brush Painting Exhibition at the Center has sold several pieces of art, All ArtWalk venues have been informed that there will not be a July ArtWalk, Click Off lamp posts banners have be installed along Miller Ave., and Kathryn Yost has been contracted to be the curator for the City Hall art exhibitions until a new plan can be developed; Molly & David will oversee the Community Center exhibition curations.

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41 **PUBLIC OPEN TIME**

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43 **Chair Byrne** opened public open time, seeing no one present to speak **Chair Byrne** closed
44 public open time

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46 **CONSENT CALENDAR:** The following items listed on the Consent Calendar to be considered
47 routine and are approved by a single motion without discussion. The Chair or any member of the
48 Commission or the public may request that any item listed under the Consent Calendar be
49 removed and action taken separately. In the event that an item is removed from the Consent
50 Calendar, it shall be considered in its numerical order.

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52 1. Consideration of the Minutes of the December 13, 2022 Regular Commission Meeting.
53 Recommended Action: Approve the December 13, 2022 Regular Commission Meeting
54 minutes.

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56 It was **MOVED** by **Vice Chair Spott** and **SECONDED** by **Commissioner Elkus** to Approve
57 the Consent Calendar. The Motion was carried by a 6 - 0 vote with **None** dissenting.

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59 **OLD BUSINESS**

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61 2. Public Art Project Updates. Recommended Action: Receive and Discuss Information and
62 Direct Committee and/or Staff as Necessary.

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64 a. Call for Rotating Art on the Plaza

65 **Supervisor Given** stated that not many viable options have been submitted thus there may not
66 be enough to present to the Commission in February; she suggested putting the “See you Art
67 here” banner back up to help increase submissions.

68 **Commissioner Elkus** Stated she would be willing to hand out posters in more art focused
69 locations to help spread the word.

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70 b. Silent Disco

71 **Supervisor Given** reported that Silent Disco will be on the Plaza on Friday, May 5th 5pm-
72 8:30pm. She stated she needs the support of the Arts Commissioners during this event.

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73 c. New Art Benches

74 **Supervisor Given** stated the new art bench for Boyle Park is ready for installation, staff is just
75 waiting for the weather to clear to install. The art bench for the Golf Course is still be worked
76 out.

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78 **NEW BUSINESS**

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80 3. Call for Musicians/Concerts in the Plaza Review. Recommended Action: Receive
81 Information and Discuss Information and Direct Staff as Necessary.

82 **Supervisor Given** stated staff would like to increase the musician’s stipend since the
83 performance times have gone from 45 minutes to 90 minutes per band. Emeritus Commissioner
84 Pakenham had requested an increase to \$1K; staff recommends \$750. Staff also recommends no
85 longer charging a submission fee to make the Call more accessible to all.

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86 **Commissioner Singer** asked if there was something that would keep the Commission from
87 increasing the stipend to \$1K.

88 **Commissioner Elkus** suggested keeping in mind that other art project that include stipends are
89 in the future, such as Rotating Art in the Plaza, need to be mindful of the budget.

90 **Vice Chair Spott** asked if there has been any discussion about paying the in between bands.

91 **Supervisor Given** stated staff does not recommend paying the in between bands as they do not
92 go through a formal selection process.

93 **Chair Byrne** asked if there will even be another Commissioner willing to take on the
94 coordination of the in between bands since Commissioner Harris is leaving the Commission.

95 The Commission directed staff to increase the Concerts in the Plaza stipend to \$750 and to
96 eliminate the submission fee.

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98 4. Consider Changing April 11, 2023, Arts Commission Meeting Date. Recommended
99 Action: Receive Information and Discuss Information and Consider Changing Meeting
100 Date.

101 **Supervisor Given** reported that Emeritus Commissioner has requested the Call for Musician
102 submission come to the Commission in April. The current date for the April meeting falls the
103 week of Spring Break and several Commissioners have reported they will be out of town during
104 this time. Staff recommends finding another date to meet in April.

105 Commissioners agreed to change the meeting to Tuesday, April 18, 2023 beginning at 6pm.

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107 5. First Tuesday ArtWalk Reception Arts Commissioner Assignments. Recommended
108 Action: Review First Tuesday ArtWalk Schedule and Assign Commissioners to Attend
109 Community Center & City Hall Receptions.

110 Commissioners reviewed the ArtWalk schedule and assignments for February, March, and April
111 were made.

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113 **STAFF AND COMMISSION REQUESTS AND IDEAS FOR DISCUSSION**

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115 **Commissioner Singer** requested a review of programs that have stipends.

116 **Commissioner Singer** requested a review of the mid-year budget once new Commissioners have
117 been selected.

118 **Chair Byrne** asked to move the Chair & Vice Chair elections to April.

119 **Commissioner Elkus** requested a discussion on changing out the art on the Art Boxes.

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121 **ADJOURNMENT** – To the next Regular Commission meeting, which will be held on Tuesday,
122 February 14, 2023 at 7pm at The Mill Valley Community Center, 180 Camino Alto, Mill Valley,
123 CA 94941.

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125 It was **MOVED** by **Vice Chair Spott** to Adjourn the Regular Commission Meeting. The Motion
126 was carried by a 6 - 0 vote with **None** dissenting.