



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

**CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO**

**TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025
6:30 P.M.**

**Library | Parks and Recreation Building, Council Chambers
901 Civic Campus Way
South San Francisco, CA**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Luster called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Chair Luster, present
Vice Chair Foley, present
Commissioner Fernandez, present
Commissioner Huerta, present
Commissioner Maharaj, present (6:51 p.m.) *
Commissioner Palomino, present
Commissioner Pomposo, present
Commissioner Ramos, absent
Commissioner Sanchez, present (6:34 p.m.) *

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA REVIEW

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. Public Art Collection Monthly Spotlight: Alta Loma Park Murals & Torque Sculpture (Erin O'Brien, Business Manager)

Business Manager, O'Brien gave a brief presentation on the Alta Loma Park public art mural and ceramic tile installations, and the Torque sculpture. The Commission expressed their appreciation for the monthly spotlight, as they find it very helpful in getting familiar with art pieces in South San Francisco. Commissioner Huerta suggested developing a pamphlet that has this information so that it can be shared with the public at events. Specialist Santos added that she is working on refreshing and updating the online public art map.

2. Subcommittee Reports (Erin O'Brien, Business Manager)

A. Art Gallery Shows

- Commissioner Pomposo reminded the Commission of the upcoming art show opening on June 27 and June 28. Specialist Santos informed the Commission she is working on including a performing arts component. She also asked the Commission to help spread the word about the art show and to let her know if any of the Commissioners are interested in volunteering. Specialist Santos will provide the Commissioners a volunteer schedule for the opening weekend.

B. Fundraising

- Commissioner Pomposo announced the Commission has low stock on their hoodies and other merchandise that are sold for fundraising. The Commission briefly discussed other potential merchandise that can be sold. The Subcommittee will meet to discuss further.
- Business Manager, O'Brien informed the Commission that this year Concert in the Park will feature the artist row again, which will have 10-12 artists booths where their entry fee will go towards the Commission's fundraising efforts.

C. Performing Arts

- No update.

D. Public Art

- Commissioner Huerta informed the Commission that the subcommittee met with the MIG public art consultant, Ann Berchtold. The consultant presented updates on the new Aquatic Center mural, the Eternal Flame sculpture and the new park at Linden Avenue and Pine Avenue. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled.

E. Strategic Vision

- No update.

F. Youth Art Programs

- No update.

G. Goals Chart

- No update.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Motion to approve the minutes from April 22, 2025.

Motion – Commissioner Huerta/ Second – Commissioner Fernandez: To approve the minutes from April 22, 2025, by roll call vote: AYES: Luster, Fernandez, Huerta, Maharaj, Palomino, Pomposo, Sanchez; NAYES: None; ABSENT: Ramos; ABSTAIN: None

ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- Commissioner Fernandez shared with the Commission that she attends the Folk Jam Drop-In class offered through the Parks and Recreation Department. She added that the group has grown and has expressed interest in potentially performing at upcoming City functions.

ITEMS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

- Business Manager, O'Brien provided a brief update on the Jack Drago Youth Art Internship. There was a total of 10 applicants and three were interviewed. One candidate was selected and will eventually be invited to attend a Commission meeting.
- The following events were announced at the meeting:
 - Senior Pancake Breakfast on June 1 at 9:00 a.m. at the Roberta Cerri Teglia Senior Center.
 - South San Francisco Civic Ballet Showcase on June 1 at 1:00 p.m. at the South San Francisco High School Auditorium. If Commissioners are interested in attending this event, they need to notify staff, as this event is by invitation only.
 - City offices will close on Thursday, June 19 in observance of the Juneteenth holiday.
 - July is Parks and Recreation month and the Parks and Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission will be highlighted.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Chair Luster adjourned the Cultural Arts Commission meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Keren Solano
Administrative Assistant II

Frances Luster
Cultural Arts Commission Chair

Approved by the Cultural Arts Commission: ____/____/____