

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, AT  
5:00 P.M. WITH REMOTE ACCESS VIA RINGCENTRAL**

**ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Chair Ellickson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Ellickson, Vice Chair Waldman, Commissioners Strock, Rini, and King

ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Mayor Fligor spoke to express Council's thanks to departing Chair Nancy Ellickson and Commissioner Paula Rini. She praised the work that they did on the Public Arts Commission. She went on to welcome the new (unsworn) members to the Commission.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

**1. Minutes**

Approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of July 22, 2021, and August 26, 2021, and the Special Meetings of August 12, 2021, and September 2, 2021

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Chair Ellickson, seconded by Commissioner Rini, the Commission approved accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 22, 2021, as written.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Commissioner King, seconded by Vice Chair Waldman, the Commission approved accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 26, 2021, as written.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Commissioner Rini, seconded by Chair Ellickson, the Commission approved accepting the minutes of the Special Meeting of August 12, 2021, as written.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.  
Abstain: None.  
Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Commissioner King, seconded by Vice Chair Waldman, the Commission approved accepting the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 2, 2021, as written.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.  
Oppose: None.  
Abstain: None.  
Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

2. **Call for Art**

Review received applications, select new pieces, and recommend locations for placement

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** Vice Chair Waldman moved that the Public Arts Commission only consider 3-D art submitted during the 2021 Call for Art. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rini.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.  
Oppose: None.  
Abstain: None.  
Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

The Commission agreed to view each of the pieces and discuss, together. They also agreed to vote for their 12 favorite pieces during a second review of the art. A tally was kept of the informal vote count. After Commission discussion, the following pieces of art received the following votes:

<b>“Cosmic Bliss” by Adrian Litman</b>	<b>– 4 votes</b>
<b>“Henry” by Michael Eckerman</b>	<b>– 5 votes</b>
“Wendy” by Harold Linke	– 3 votes
<b>“One-Eyed Jack” by John Randall Nelson</b>	<b>– 5 votes</b>
“Watch My Tail” by Patricia Vader	– 3 votes
<b>“Low-Poly Open Heart (RIDE)” by Matthew Duffy</b>	<b>– 5 votes</b>
<b>“Sunrise/Sunset (Sawblade)” by Matthew Duffy</b>	<b>– 5 votes</b>
<b>“Wave” by Norman Moore</b>	<b>– 5 votes</b>
<b>“Day on the Serengeti” by Damian Radice</b>	<b>– 5 votes</b>

- “The Conversation” by Damian Radice – 3 votes
- “Magnify” by Kirk Seese – 5 votes**  
*(x2 stipends for 3 pieces or no pieces at all)*
- “Elements in Separation” by Wilma Wyss – 5 votes

**CHAIR ELLICKSON CALLED A 7-MINUTE BREAK AT 6:52 P.M.**

**CHAIR ELLICKSON CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER AT 6:59 P.M.**

The Commission discussed and agreed to select the top nine (9) pieces of art (each with five [5] votes), marked in bold above.

**Action:** Commissioner King moved that the Public Arts Commission accept nine (9) art pieces plus a second stipend for the “Magnify” piece by Kirk Seese (for a total of 3 pieces of art to be installed by K. Seese) for the Art Without Walls Program. Vice Chair Waldman seconded the motion.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

Action: Chair Ellickson moved that the Commission choose a back-up art piece if one of the nine selections originally chosen did not accept the offer. The Commission unanimously agreed to vote for an alternate.

- “Wendy” by Harold Linke – 1 vote
- “Watch My Tail” by Patricia Vader – 2 votes
- “The Conversation” by Damian Radice – 2 votes

The Commission agreed to revote to select an alternate.

- “Wendy” by Harold Linke – 0 votes
- “Watch My Tail” by Patricia Vader – 4 votes
- “The Conversation” by Damian Radice – 1 vote

“Watch my Tail” by Patricia Vader was chosen as the alternative piece.

### **3. Sculpture Loan Program**

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** Commissioner Rini moved that the Public Arts Commission extend the loan for Midnight Stomp for two years, based on Chair Ellickson’s conversations with Pokey Park (artist). Commissioner Strock seconded the motion.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

**Action:** Vice Chair Waldman moved that the Public Arts Commission purchase Mutha Hen by Eileen Fitz-Faulkner (artist) after Fitz-Faulkner fixes any known maintenance issues with the piece. Commissioner King seconded the motion.

Chair Ellickson offered the following friendly amendment: add the words “such as the legs and the missing mosaic piece” after the phrase “known maintenance issues with the piece.”

The friendly amendment was approved, and the new wording for the motion was as follows:

Vice Chair Waldman moved that the Public Arts Commission purchase Mutha Hen by Eileen Fitz-Faulkner (artist) after Fitz-Faulkner fixes any known maintenance issues with the piece, such as the legs and the missing mosaic piece.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

#### 4. **Relocation of Sculptures**

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** Vice Chair Waldman moved that the Public Arts Commission explore the option of repairing Will You Dance with Me by Ed Hart (artist), and if it can be repaired for a reasonable price, moving it to a spot in front of Los Altos Dance Academy at 140 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Commissioner Strock seconded the motion.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

#### 5. **Fiscal Year 2021-22 Work Plan**

**Public Comment:** None.

**Action:** Commissioner King moved that the Public Arts Commission accept the work plan the way it was submitted with two changes: add “Offered Haiku Writing Class and edit “Two Communities” to be “Two Languages, One Community.” Vice Chair Waldman seconded the motion.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

6. **Conservation and Stewardship**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** Commissioner King moved that the Public Arts Commission establish a Conservation Subcommittee. Chair Ellickson seconded the motion.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

7. **Los Altos Public Arts Commission Guidelines**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** Commissioner King moved that the Public Arts Commission Guidelines [two sentences in Section Three regarding Donations, Section Six regarding Sponsorship in its entirety, and updating the revision date in the footer]. Commissioner Rini seconded the motion.

Approve: Ellickson, Waldman, Rini, King, and Strock.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed unanimously: 5-0-0.

8. **Community Center Art**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** None.

9. **Los Altos Arts Council**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** None.

10. **Public Arts Fund**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** None.

**11. Future Community Art Projects**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** None.

**12. Community Art Projects**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** None.

**13. Community Center Art Subcommittee**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** None.

**2. Recall Item: Call for Art**

**Public Comment:** None

**Action:** Although direction was given to City staff regarding contacting artists and compiling a database of selected art pieces after the Call for Art, no formal motions were made.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

1. Receive information and announcements from City staff

**COMMISSION REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

1. None

**POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Meeting Schedule

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Ellickson adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 18,  
2021, AT 5:00 P.M. HELD VIA VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Waldman, Vice Chair King, Commissioners Corrigan, Couture, Janjigian, Moore

ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Nominate and elect members to serve as Chair and Vice Chair

Action: Upon a nomination by Commissioner King, the Commission unanimously elected Commissioner Waldman to serve as Chair.

Action: Upon a nomination by Commissioner Couture, the Commission unanimously elected Commissioner King to serve as Vice Chair.

2. 2021/22 Commission Work Plan: Discuss the draft 2021/22 Commission Work Plan for presentation to City Council on November 2, 2021

Commissioners discussed and finalized the draft Work Plan.

Action: Upon a motion by Chair Waldman, seconded by Vice Chair King, the Commission unanimously appointed Chair Waldman, Vice Chair King and Commissioner Couture to a subcommittee to work on the presentation for the City Council.

3. Funding for Public Art: Receive an update on approved funding for Public Art

Staff provided a brief overview of City funding for public art.

4. Call for Art: Discuss placement of entries from the Call for Art Program

Direction: Commissioners directed the New Art Subcommittee to propose recommended locations for artworks at the next Commission meeting.

5. Community Center Art: Receive update from the Community Center Art Subcommittee

Chair Waldman and Vice Chair King provided an update.

6. Two Voices/One Community Poetry Reading: Discuss the Two Voices/One Community Poetry Reading program

Vice Chair King provided an update.

7. Los Altos Public Arts Commission Guidelines: Discuss the City Council approval of the Los Altos Public Arts Commission Guidelines

Chair Waldman provided an update on the City Council action.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

8. Receive information and announcements from City staff

There were no announcements from City staff.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Waldman adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.