



# County of Santa Cruz

## PARKS, OPEN SPACE & CULTURAL SERVICES

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**APPROVED**

### ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

January 27, 2025, 4:30 p.m. – 979 17<sup>th</sup> Ave., Santa Cruz

- I. Called to order at 4:35 p.m. Present: Niven, Phillips, Stabile, Miranda, Leclerc, Singer, Rogers  
Absent/Excused: Kroschwitz Vacant seats: 2  
Staff: Sarah Shea, Kathy DeWild
- II. Approved Agenda with Modifications - Motion/Second: Stabile/Singer  
AYES: 7  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1
- III. Oral Communications – None
- VI. Approved Consent Agenda - Motion/Second: Stabile/Phillips  
AYES: 7  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1
- V. Staff reports  
Parks is working on a communication and marketing plan for the Department. Work is in process on the Pace Trails, which will connect with the Quail Hollow Ranch trail system. Several new exercise programs for youth and adults will start up this spring. Field renovations are in process at Brommer County Park. The call to artists for the Juvenile Hall public art project went out, with proposals due on Feb 21. The Floral Park public art proposal goes before the Board of Supervisors for their consideration tomorrow. If approved, Justin Francavilla can begin work on the project. A call for nominations for the 2025 Spotlight Award has gone out, with nomination letters due by March 3.
- VI. Regular Agenda
  - A. Information and Discussion Items
    1. Legacy Award – criteria
    2. % for Arts in Private Development.
  - B. Action Items Items
    1. Voted to approve and to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the selection panel's choice of public artist for Hidden Beach Park.  
Motion/Second: Miranda/Stabile  
AYES: 7  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1

*The Mission of the Santa Cruz County Arts Commission is to promote, expand and plan for the cultural life of Santa Cruz County and to bring artists and arts organizations together with government for the benefit of all the citizens of the County.*

2. Voted to approve formation of subcommittee regarding an arts category for the annual chamber awards

Motion/Second: Rogers/Phillips

AYES: 6

NOES: 1

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1

3. Appoint Commissioner to serve on the Juvenile Hall public art panel: Phillips joins Niven on the panel

Motion/Second: Stabile/Singer

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1

4. Appoint Commissioner to serve as Vice Chair; Phillips

Motion/Second: Stabile/Rogers

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1

**VII.** Next meeting date: March 3, 2025 – 4:30-6:00 PM. Agenda items may include:

- Cultural Tourism
- Ripple Effect Festival – appoint commissioners to serve on various committees
- % for Arts in Private Development
- Legacy Award – criteria
- July meeting moves from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>

**VIII.** Adjournment – 5:59 PM

Motion/Second: Stabile/Miranda

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1