

Public Arts Commission  
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA



APPROVED

**MINUTES**  
**Special Meeting**

Thursday, January 24, 2019  
Palm Springs City Hall • 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Sheffer

**ROLL CALL:**

	<u>Present This Meeting</u>	<u>Present to Date</u>	<u>FY 2018/2019 Excused Absences</u>	<u>FY 201/2019 Unexcused Absences</u>
Melanie Brenner	x	17	3	
Mara Gladstone	x	16	1	
Alfonso Murray	x	20	1	
Tracy Merrigan	x	21		
Russell Pritchard	x	20	1	
Ann Sheffer	x	21		
Thomas Yanni	x	20		

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jay Virata, Director, Community & Economic Development  
David Newell, Associate Planner, Planning Department

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:** Commission voted to hear Report from the Chair at the end of the meeting.

**MOTION:** by Vice Chair Yanni, second by Commissioner Brenner, to accept Public Arts Commission Agenda for Thursday, January 24, 2019; unanimously carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**A. Presentations**  
None

**B. Report from the Chair**  
Chair Sheffer stated that she received a list of about 30 items from Delos VanEarl and suggests the commission review the list before submitting it to the Contracts department for bidding.

**C. Action Items:**

- 1. Make a recommendation to the City Council regarding a request for approval of an art mural application by Sephora USA for the installation of an art mural originally entitled "Instagrammable Moments" by Luke Chiao at 175 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Suite 125, (Case 18-007 MUR) in accordance with the guidelines set forth by Section 5.81 of the Municipal Code and sections 93.20.00 & 93.20.03 of the Palm Springs Zoning Code.**

Associate Planner David Newell, from Planning was present and informed the Commission that the mural is not compliant with the definition of what a mural is under the Municipal Code due to the advertisement of the business that is on the property. David Newell recommends that the text of the business be removed from the mural. The applicant agreed to do so.

**Recommendation: Review Art Mural Application #18-007 MUR and adopt a resolution of the Public Arts Commission making a recommendation to City Council for consideration.**

**Resolution: by Vice Chair Yanni to approve Art Mural application by Sephora USA for "Working on my Desert Glow" on commercial building at 175 N. Palm Canyon drive suite 125 with modifications to remove the words "Sephora" from the bag and the pencil in the current version with no word "Sephora" on the mural itself. Second by Commissioner Brenner. Unanimously approved.**

**D. Review Revised Dyson and Womack Proposal for strategic planning process.**

Emily Womack of Dyson and Womack was present for meeting. Discussion on what the Commission wants to improve/change within the ordinance and mission statement.

**Commissioner Comments/Reports/Requests:**

Commissioner Merrigan updated the commission on the co-teaching class at the Art Institute at Palm Springs High School, with Sara Scheideman, and the progress on the pieces the high school kids are making for the Felt Art Map. Commissioner Murray stated that some were disappointed because there wasn't a student exhibit at the Martin Luther King Commemoration Service. Chair Sheffer suggested contacting Louisa Castrodale for next year's event.

**Reports of Director/Staff:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Public Arts Commission adjourned at 5:09 p.m. by a motion from Vice Chair Yanni, seconded by Commissioner Brenner, was unanimously carried to a Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 14, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., Palm Springs City Hall, Large Conference Room, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Jay Virata  
Director of Community & Economic Development