PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday February 17, 2021



5:30 PM

Ann Sheffer, Chair Shawnda Faveau Tracy Merrigan, Vice-Chair Russell Pritchard Thomas Yanni Alfonso Murray Mara Gladstone

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, this meeting will be conducted by teleconference and there will be no in-person public access to the meeting location.

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Public comment may also be submitted to jay.virata@palmspringsca.gov. Transmittal prior to the meeting is required. Any correspondence received during or after the meeting will be distributed to the Commission and retained for the official record.

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

This time has been set aside for members of the public to address the Public Arts Commission on items of general interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission, and agenda items if the member of the public cannot be present later in the meeting at the time the item is heard by the Commission. Additionally, members of the public may address the Commission on each item listed on the posted agenda at the time each item is heard. Although the Public Arts Commission values your comments, pursuant to the Brown Act, it generally cannot take any action on items not listed on the posted agenda. Five (5) minutes are assigned for each speaker.

- **A. PRESENTATION:** Richard Noble, Proposal for "Equal Under the Law" mural celebrating LGBTQ civil rights leadership.
- **B. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR:**

C. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / APPROVAL:

- 1. Approve contract with Nail-to-Nail for a Collections Management System for the City Public Art Collection, including management, care, and preservation recommendations, as well an internet-based platform for public access. Not to exceed \$24,000. Scope of Work attached.
- 2. Approve CARES projects:
 - a. Discuss/Approve Guidelines for CARES grants.
 - b. Approve loan of sculpture entitled "Popsicles" by John Cerney at 605 East Sunny Dunes, \$3,500 plus City fees.
 - c. Discuss/Approve wording of plagues for art projects.
- 3. Discuss/Approve revisions to the Public Arts and Mural Ordinances to submit to City Council.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 1. Bench Project.
- 2. Stop in the Name of Love.
- Other Mini-Grants.

4. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/REPORTS/REQUESTS:

5. REPORT FROM DIRECTOR/STAFF:

ADJOURNMENT: The Public Arts Commission will adjourn to a Regular Meeting, Wednesday March 17, 2021 5:30 p.m. via teleconference.

It is the intention of the City of Palm Springs to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in all respects. If, as an attendee or a participant at this meeting, or in meetings on a regular basis, you will need special assistance beyond what is normally provided, the City will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please contact the Office of the City Clerk, (760) 323-8204, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible.

Pursuant to G.C. Section 54957.5(b)(2) the designated office for inspection of records in connection with the meeting is the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way (760) 323-8204.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I, JAY VIRATA, Community & Economic Development Director for the City of Palm Springs, California, certify this Agenda was posted at or before 5:30 p.m. on February 11, 2021, as required by established policies and procedures.

/s/ Jay Virata

Jay Virata, Director Community & Economic Development



Process for CARES and Neighborhood Grants:

- 1. Mini-grant proposals must be reviewed and recommended by at least two Public Arts Commissioners.
- 2. All art installations or murals funded through mini-grants will be **temporary** until December 31, 2021 when they will be reviewed by the Commission for longer term arrangements.
- 3. Any applications for placement of art on City property must be reviewed by the Planning Department for safety and structural issues, to be addressed before proceeding.
- 4. Any applications for placement of art or murals on private property must have the permission of the owner.
- Contracts and/or invoices from sponsoring organizations or artists must be approved by the City Manager, however projects may be managed by independent contractors within their scope of work.
- 6. No public hearings will be held, but all projects will be publicized through our website and social media for public comment.
- 7. Funding may be given to neighborhood or business organizations or directly to artists, and all grant recipients must submit a report of expenditures and outcomes when the project has been completed.
- 8. These special processes will remain in effect until December 31, 2021

Funding for CARES and Neighborhood grants will range between \$500 - \$5000.

*Types of CARES projects:

- 1. Artwork to enliven re-opened businesses and draw foot traffic, as request by owners, including on sidewalks, crosswalks, or patios.
- 2. Storefront installations on temporarily or permanently closed businesses
- 3. Loan of artwork for storefronts, medians, empty lots, or other public places

Approved by Public Arts Commission, June 2, 2020

Approval renewed February 17, 2021

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AGREEMENT FOR PLACEMENT AND LOAN OF ARTWORK

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- A. The City has established a Public Arts Program, which authorizes the placement of works of art on appropriate private and public property, which encourages public access, and viewing of the artwork.
- B. Under the Public Arts Program, artwork may be loaned to the City with or without a fee paid for loan term.
- C. Owner desires to loan a work of art and have such work of art placed on public property in accordance with this Agreement and the City of Palm Springs Public Arts Program as established by Chapters 2.24 and 3.37 of the Palm Springs Municipal Code (Public Arts Ordinance).

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree that acceptance of the loan of the artwork described below of this Agreement is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. <u>City Representative:</u> The City Manager, or this designee, a Contract Officer of the City ("City Manager"), shall be the City's designated representative with respect to this Agreement. Under the direction of the City Council, the City Manager shall have the authority to give approvals or consents required hereunder and to otherwise act on behalf of the City of purposes of this Agreement.
 - 2. <u>Loan Fee:</u> City shall pay a loan fee in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$3500) payable within thirty (30) days of installation and receipt of invoice from Owner.
 - 3. <u>Loan Term:</u> The loan term shall be eight (8) months, with an option to renew for an extended period of time as agreed upon by both parties.
 - 4. <u>Termination:</u> Both the City and the Owner have the right to terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' advance written notice, with or without cause. Upon termination, the City shall cause the artwork to be removed at City's cost and expense.
 - 5. <u>The Artwork:</u> The Owner will loan to the City a free-standing sculpture entitled "Popsicles". as shown in Exhibit "A" (the Artwork).
 - 6. Location and Site Preparation: The artwork shall be located 605 East Sunny Dunes.

- 7. <u>Security:</u> City shall be responsible for security to protect the artwork from damage, vandalism, or theft.
- 8. <u>Transport:</u> The artwork shall be delivered to the City and installed by the artist.
- 9. <u>Insurance</u>: City shall procure and maintain, in a form and amount consistent with the City's past practice in insuring public art installed and maintained on City owned property, appropriate insurance for the artwork. City shall provide Owner with a Certificate of Insurance naming Owner as an additional insured.
- 10. <u>Care and Condition:</u> The artwork is loaned in good condition unless otherwise noted. The artwork should be examined for condition upon receipt. The artwork shall at all times be given special care to protect it against loss, damage or deterioration. Should loss or damage or deterioration be noted, the Owner is to be notified immediately and in detail. It is understood that the artworks covered by this Agreement shall remain in the condition in which they are received. The artwork shall not be, repaired, retouched, moved, or altered in any way. Regularly scheduled cleaning of artwork shall be performed by Owner.
- 11. <u>Credit:</u> During the term of this Agreement, all formal references to the Artwork shall include the following credit line: "Collection of Palm Springs Public Arts Commission on loan from John Cerney.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have entered into this Agreement as of the date first above written.

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CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	
A Municipal Corporation	
City Manager	



ORDINANCE NO. 1948

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND SUPERSEDING CHAPTER 5.81 OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE REGULATION OF ORIGINAL ART MURALS.

City Attorney's Summary

This Ordinance revises the existing regulations applicable to the processing of applications for installation of original art murals on private property, including their maintenance and lifespan.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> Chapter 5.81 of the Palm Springs Municipal Code, ART MURALS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY is hereby amended and superseded in its entirety, to read as follows.

Chapter 5.81 ART MURALS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

5.81.010 Purpose.

- (a) This Chapter is intended to enact a process and procedures for the installation of original art murals on private property and further the public interest by: (i) encouraging artistic expression; (ii) fostering a sense of pride; (iii) preventing vandalism at mural sites through the installation of murals that vandals are reluctant to disturb; (iv) preserving existing murals that are a valued part of the history of the City; and (v) visually activating dormant and/or vacant properties and construction sites.
- (b) The City may consider the installation of murals and, at the same time, wishes to prevent the proliferation of off-site commercial signs. Therefore, the City's mural regulations do not allow commercial advertising.
- (c) Mural regulations also promote public safety and welfare by ensuring the following objectives are achieved:
 - The design, construction, installation, repair, and maintenance of such displays will not interfere with traffic safety or otherwise endanger public safety.
 - Regulation will provide reasonable protection to the visual environment by controlling the size, height, spacing, and locations of such displays.

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- 3. The public will enjoy the aesthetic benefits of being able to view such displays in numbers and sizes that are reasonably and appropriately regulated.
- To impose permit requirements and regulations for murals.

5.81.020 Definition.

Pursuant to Section 93.20.03 of this Code, a "mural" means a painting or artwork temporarily or permanently affixed to a building wall, freestanding wall, or fence, which can be seen from the public right-of-way, and is distinguished from signage in that it does not advertise a business, commercial endeavor, or product sold or offered on the site or off-site.

5.81.030 Permit required.

- (a) It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to authorize, erect, construct, maintain, move, alter, change, place, suspend, or attach any mural within the City without first obtaining the necessary permits.
- (b) An application for a mural shall be submitted to the Planning Department to be assessed by City staff for compliance with this Code. The application shall include a maintenance plan be submitted for review and approval.
- (c) An application for a mural shall be submitted with the notification fees and Mural Application Permit Fee, as established by resolution of the City Council.
- (d) Applications for short-term, "event specific" murals may also be approved, with a time duration as established by the City Council. All fees, permits, procedures, and requirements as otherwise specified in this Chapter shall apply to short-term event specific murals.

5.81.040 Procedure.

- (a) Prior to any action by the Public Arts Commission, the Planning Department shall send notice of such application to all property owners within 500 feet of the location of the mural at least 10 days prior to the Public Arts Commission consideration of the mural. No mural shall be permitted until the Planning Department has certified that notification has been completed.
- (b) The Planning Department shall submit the application to the Public Arts Commission who shall review the proposal, solicit public comment, and make a recommendation to the City Council based on the artistic merit and execution of the proposed art.
- (d) The Planning Department shall submit the application to the City Council for authorization.

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(e) For a proposed mural on any Class 1 historic site, the application shall be referred to the Historic Site Preservation Board for recommendation prior to authorization by the City Council.

5.81.050 Requirements.

- (a) The owner of the property on which a mural is installed, shall execute and deliver to the Office of the City Clerk a covenant for recordation in a form approved by the City Attorney. The covenant shall provide that the mural will be installed and maintained at all times in full compliance with this Chapter. In addition, the covenant shall remain in force for as long as the mural exists.
- (b) Upon a change of ownership of the property to which a Mural is installed, the new owner may, at the owner's election and without the need for permission from the City, terminate the covenant and remove the mural, subject to the provisions of this Chapter.

5.81.060 Regulations.

An approved mural shall comply with all of the provisions of this Section:

- (a) Any alteration to an approved mural shall require approval in accordance with the procedures listed in Section 5.81.040. An "alteration" includes any change to a permitted mural, including, but not limited to, any change to the image(s), materials, colors, or size of the permitted mural. "Alteration" does not include naturally occurring changes to the mural caused by exposure to the elements or the passage of time or that result from the maintenance or repair of the mural. Such minor changes may include slight and unintended deviations from the original image, colors, or materials that occur when the permitted mural is repaired due to the passage of time or as a result of vandalism.
- (b) No part of a mural shall exceed the height of the structure to which it is tiled, painted, or affixed.
- (e) No part of a mural shall extend more than six (6) inches from the plane of the wall upon which it is tiled, painted, or affixed.
- (d) Unless otherwise authorized by City Council upon making findings of no resulting impacts, no mural may consist of, or contain, electrical or mechanical components, or changing images (moving structural elements, flashing or sequential lights, lighting elements, or other automated methods that result in movement, the appearance of movement, or change of mural image or message, not including static illumination turned off and back on not more than once every 24 hours).
- (e) No mural shall be placed on a lot that is improved with only one single-family residential structure and accessory structures.

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- (f) No mural shall be arranged and illuminated in a manner that will produce light intensity of greater than three foot candles above ambient lighting, as measured at the property line of the nearest residentially zoned property.
- (g) Digitally printed image murals shall receive approval of both the Fire Department and Department of Building and Safety.
- (h) A mural shall not be created without the final authorization of the Palm Springs City Council.

5.81.070 Violations.

- (a) Nuisance. Any mural created and installed without City approval pursuant to this Chapter, or any mural that is not maintained in accordance with the approved maintenance plan, is and shall be deemed "graffiti" as that term is defined by Section 11.72.172 of this Code, and is a public nuisance pursuant to Section 11.72.174, subject to abatement pursuant to Chapter 11.72 and the specific penalties and remedies enumerated herein, including without limitation collection by lien or special assessment.
- Administrative Penalty. Any person who creates, allows to be created, causes or otherwise maintains any mural identified as a public nuisance pursuant to this Chapter is guilty of a violation of this Subsection, and is subject to an issuance of administrative citation as follows. Prior to the issuance of a citation hereunder, the City shall issue notice to any person that violates this Subsection (b), giving that person thirty (30) days from the issuance of the notice to remove the mural created and installed without City approval. If the mural is timely removed in compliance with the City notice issued, no citation shall issue. If the mural is not timely removed, an administrative citation shall issue with a fine in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). In the event the mural is not removed within forty five (45) days of the issuance of the City's notice, a second administrative citation shall issue with a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). In the event the mural is not removed within sixty (60) days of the issuance of the City's notice, a third administrative citation shall issue with a fine in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). As an alternative to removing the mural, a person subject to administrative penalty and citation may apply to the City for approval of the mural pursuant to Section 5.81.040. No mural that has been subject to administrative penalty and citation, however, shall be approved unless the applicable fine has been paid in full.
- (c) Civil Actions. Any person who creates, allows to be created, causes or otherwise maintains any mural identified as a public nuisance pursuant to this Chapter shall be subject to a civil action undertaken pursuant to Section 1.01.240, including reimbursement of city costs and an award of attorneys' fees.

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(d) Cumulative Remedies. In addition to, and not in lieu of, any other remedy allowed by law, all remedies prescribed under this Section 5.81.070 are cumulative, and the election of one or more remedies does not bar the City from pursuit of any other remedy, criminal, administrative or civil, which may be pursued by the City to enforce this Chapter and/or address any violation hereof.
Section 2. Neither introduction nor adoption of this Ordinance represents a "project" for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as that term is defined by CEQA guidelines (Guidelines) section 15378, because this Ordinance is an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment, per section 15378(b)(5) of the Guidelines.
Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after passage.
Section 4. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to certify to the passage of this Ordinance, and to cause the same or a summary thereof or a display advertisement, duly prepared according to law, to be published in accordance with law.
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE PALM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL THIS 24th DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.
ROBERT MOON, MAYOR
ATTEST:
ANTHONY J. MEJIA, MMC, CITY CLERK
CERTIFICATION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss. CITY OF PALM SPRINGS)
I, ANTHONY J. MEJIA, Interim City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, do hereby certify that Ordinance No is a full, true, and correct copy, and was introduced at a regular meeting of the Palm Springs City Council held on January 3, 2018, and adopted at a regular meeting held on January 24, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

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NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	

ANTHONY J. MEJIA, MMC CITY CLERK City of Palm Springs, California

RESOLUTION REQUESTING CHANGES TO THE MURAL ORDINANCE

Whereas, in January 2014, the Palm Springs City Council approved an Ordinance regarding the Regulation of Original Art Murals, which was amended and superseded in January 2018 to enable a shorter timeframe for approval and less work and expense for both applicant and staff.

Whereas, the original purpose of the Ordinance was to clearly differentiate art murals from signs and preventing corporations from attempting to advertise products by masquerading as a mural.

Whereas, the administrative process and costs of formally applying for a mural remain a barrier to mural production, particularly for non-profits and communities facing income disparities.

Whereas, to help murals thrive in Palm Springs and recognize the vital cultural self-expression murals represent, the City must work to find the simplest path forward to create legal murals, while retaining our strong protections against commercial advertising.

The Public Arts Commission believes that this can be accomplished by creating a new category of "By-Right Murals," which would be exempt from the existing fees and review process, as long as the mural meets a few simple and objective conditions.

The Public Arts Commission therefore requests that the City Attorney prepare and present to the City Council revisions to the Mural Ordinance establishing a "By-Right Mural" that would exempt the approval and fee requirements for new original Art Murals if the mural meets the following requirements:

- 1) The mural has been sponsored, commissioned, or approved by the Public Arts Commission, with a cost of \$25,000 or less, and is intended as a temporary installation for no more than 18 months (at which time it must be reviewed by the Public Arts Commission for approval to remain longer.)
- 2) The mural contains no logos, text, script, numbers or other forms of writing that advertise or relate to any business, service or product offered by a commercial entity.
- 3) The mural is create using only paint or tiles and complies with the current mural requirements as far as materials or attachment to walls.

These proposed changes are based on amendments made by the Los Angeles City Council.

From: Cynthia Alvarado Cynthia. Alvarado @palmspringsca.gov @

Subject: RE: Bench progress-Victoria Park Date: February 11, 2021 at 2:09 PM



To: Patrick Sheehan mycoachellart@gmail.com, Ann Sheffer annsheffer@gmail.com, Jody Diaz jodiaz@psusd.us, Charlie LaMorte charlielamorte@gmail.com

Those are Fantastic!!! ©

From: Patrick Sheehan <mycoachellart@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2021 1:14 PM

To: Ann Sheffer <annsheffer@gmail.com>; Jody Diaz <jodiaz@psusd.us>; Charlie

LaMorte <charlielamorte@gmail.com>; Cynthia Alvarado

<Cynthia.Alvarado@palmspringsca.gov>
Subject: Bench progress-Victoria Park



Hi Ann, Cynthia, Jody, and Chuck!

We finished up (3) benches at Victoria Park this week!

Lots of PS residents and tourists out in the park enjoying the stellar weather and thanking us for beautifying the park benches.

We had several small tikes come over to inspect our work, play in the water buckets, and enjoy chalk drawing on the sidewalks nearby. So fun!

Ann, be please share the attached photos with your arts commissioners, especially Tracy and Shawnda, who mentioned last PSPAC meeting that they wanted to be kept in the loop on our progress.

We have (3) more benches to complete in this playground area of Victoria Park.

I'll be posting some of the photos in the coming days on social media and I'll make sure to tag both commissions.

Photos of the new benches are below.

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Please don't hesitate to email or call if you have any questions.

Regards,

Patrick Sheehan Executive Director 760-537-5957