City of San Marcos
Arts Commission
Regular Meeting
July 17, 2019 5:30 p.m.
City Hall Conference Room, 630 E. Hopkins, San Marcos, Texas

I. Call To Order
Lela Holt called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. on July 17, 2019.

II. Roll Call
Members present were Lela Holt, Amy Lou Cox, Jamey Poole, Stephanie Symmes, Priscilla Leder, and Dawn Stienecker. Staff present were Rebecca Ybarra-Ramirez and Trey Hatt.

III. 30 Minute Citizen Comment Period
Hojun Choi, Community Impact reporter, introduced himself

MINUTES

1. Consider approval, by motion, of the June 19, 2019 meeting minutes
Lela Holt moved to approve the June 19, 2019 minutes with a correction to the spelling of Priscilla Leder's name. Amy Lou Cox seconded; motion passed 6-0.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Consider approval of categories and number of awardees for the San Marcos Arts Commission’s SMArt Awards
Jamey Poole moved to set the following SMArt Awards categories: Spark Award, Individual Award, Business or Group Award, and Posthumous; and to award a minimum of three and maximum of five honors in any number or combination of those categories each year. Cox seconded; motion passed 6-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. Hold discussion regarding the 2019-2020 Arts and Cultural grant process
Process will remain the same for 2019-2020 as current year's process. Commission directed staff to set two meetings in early October for applicant presentations, and action on award amounts for the regular October meeting.

4. Hold discussion regarding permanent art at the Discovery Center
Staff is coordinating with the Discovery Center to determine the feasibility of placing permanent art on the grounds before moving forward.

REPORTS

5. Receive a staff report regarding the Arts Master Plan
The Arts Master Plan will be a project of the Convention and Visitor Bureau in the coming fiscal year now that the Arts program and personnel have moved to that department in conjunction with the PARD Master Plan.

6. Receive a staff report regarding current mural projects and the transfer of the Mural Arts Program to the Arts Commission
Staff briefed the Commission on current mural projects: Sessom Drive Retaining Wall (completed), Barrio del Pescado (in-progress), Wonder World Park (forthcoming) and Papa
John’s (status pending) murals. No new mural projects will be taken on this fiscal year. Staff reported a meeting has yet to be scheduled among the City Council to amend the Commission’s bylaws to place the Mural Arts Program as a standing Arts Commission committee.

7. Receive a staff report regarding the traffic box mural program
   Staff briefed the Commission on the history and process for the traffic box mural program. The Commission stated its interest in continuing the program.

8. Receive a staff report regarding the San Marcos Mobility Hub
   Staff briefed the Commission on the Downtown Mobility Hub, which is in construction and scheduled to be completed in August. The Commission stated its interest in pursuing public art opportunities for this City project.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. Board Members may provide requests for discussion items for a future agenda in accordance with the board’s approved bylaws. No further discussion will be held related to topics proposed until they are posted on a future agenda in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.
   Requested the following for discussion: locations of eligible traffic boxes for traffic box murals; update on the feasibility of the Discovery Center for permanent art placement; structure for the future Mural Arts Committee once established; selection of SMArt Award honorees; update on Mobility Hub construction.

VI. Question and Answer Session with Press and Public
   None

VII. Adjournment
   Poole moved to adjourn; Cox seconded.

The minutes from the July 17, 2019 meeting of the City of San Marcos, Art Commission are respectfully submitted on Aug 23, 2019 by

Trey Hatt, Arts Coordinator

Approved by:

Lela Holt, Arts Commission Chair

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