

MINUTES
SARATOGA LIBRARY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cristina Meiser called the virtual meeting to order at
Call to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Cristina Meiser, Vice Chair Eric Lewis, Commissioners Robert
Gulino, Steven White
Absent: Victoria Zhang
Also Present: Jennifer Weeks, Nichole King, Lauren Sutioso, Viraaj Reddi, Kayla
Nakamoto, Crystal Bothelio

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

None

REPORTS

1. Saratoga Teen Advisory Board
Teen Advisory Board Members Lauren Sutioso and Viraaj Reddi shared updates on
SED Talks, Coffeehouse, College Day, and Crafternoon events.

2. Santa Clara County Library District
County Librarian Jennifer Weeks shared updates about Silicon Valley Reeds,
provided information about temporary staffing changes during the recruitment of a
new Deputy Librarian, and announced the County Library District had the highest
growth rate in digital book checkouts of any library system.

3. Saratoga Community Library
Acting Saratoga Community Librarian Nichole King introduced herself to the
Commission.

4. Friends of the Saratoga Libraries
Chair Cristina Meiser noted on behalf of the Friends of the Saratoga Libraries that
the Book-Go-Round has been an excellent place to purchase used books.

5. Library & Community Engagement Commission Chair
No report
6. City of Saratoga
Assistant City Manager Crystal Bothelio shared information about the City Council Retreat Series, Housing Element Update, Inclusive Playground Equipment Fundraiser, public art projects, and COVID-19.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Library & Community Engagement Commission Minutes

Recommended Action:

Review and approve the minutes from December 22, 2020 Regular Meeting and January 19, 2021 Special Meeting.

GULINO/WHITE MOVED TO **APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 22, 2020 REGULAR MEETING AND JANUARY 19, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING, WITH A CORRECTION TO THE JANUARY 19, 2021 MINUTES TO REMOVE CHRIS BROWN AND DAVID GUIDRY FROM THE LIST OF ATTENDEES.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: GULINO, LEWIS, MEISER, WHITE, ZHANG. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

2. Paint the City: Utility Box Painting Project

Recommended Action:

Review qualified Paint the City applications and recommend up to 3 designs for the 3 Paint the City locations to the Public Art Committee for public voting.

Analyst Kayla Nakamoto introduced the agenda item and requested that the Commission select up to 3 designs for each Paint the City location to recommend to the Public Art Committee for public voting.

The Commission made the following artwork recommendations:

- Location 1: Ella Zhang, Shannon Wang, and Lorraine and Mara Sheu
- Location 2: Star Davis and Deb Conway, Tiffany Huang and Audrey Tang, and Levana and Zerlina Lai
- Location 3: Clementine Dickson-Child, Jasmine Qin, and Susan Seichrist

3. Community News & Trends

Recommended Action:

Share news and trends within the community.

No news and trends were shared.

SUMMARIZE ACTION ITEMS

Staff was asked to share a copy of the Commission's proposed work plan prior to the Work Plan Study Session in March.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Chair Cristina Meiser adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Crystal Bothelio, Assistant City Manager
City of Saratoga