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**INITIAL BRAINSTORMING SESSION FOR COUNTYWIDE CLEBRATION OF THE ARTS EVENT
OF THE ARTS COMMISSION**

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Zoom

MINUTES

1. Roll Call – Chair Stephen Seymour called the meeting to order at 3:02 with roll call and introduction of guests

In Attendance: Commissioners Gordon, Krishnan, McHugh, Heise, Sweeney
Absent: Commissioners Seymour, Stone, Hernandez Arriaga, Liaiga-Anoa'i
Staff: Robin Rodricks, Mara Grimes

2. Action Item

A. AB361 Remote Meeting Requirements: in keeping with the recently enacted California AB361 and Governor Newsom's suspension of Brown Act Open Meetings law, vote to approve continuation of virtual Commission meetings. Commissioner Heise made a motion that we approve continuation of virtual Commission meetings. Commissioner McHugh seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: approved unanimously.

3. Oral Communications

To allow the public to address the Commission on any matter not on the agenda. If your subject is not on the agenda, the Chair will recognize you at this time. Speakers are customarily limited to two minutes. A speaker's slip is required.

4. Discussion Item

A. Discussion and brainstorming ideas for the Countywide Celebration of the Arts
Commissioner Gordon reiterated that the Countywide event is one of the goals in the strategic plan. We have talked about this event for a while, and it is finally safe enough for us to pursue. She stated that she thought that after hearing the results of the municipality meeting held by the OAC that there was enough interest, and we could serve as the umbrella or connector of the event. She opened the floor for discussion.
Commissioner Krishnan shared that Orange County has been holding countywide arts events for many years called "The Imagination Celebration." Each city has an event over a specified period of time. The OCAC then coordinated and promotes these events through links and brochures. She said that she would share information with us of their past events via email.

Commissioner Gordon reminded us that there was \$2500 in the budget for this event and the Director stated that it might be possible to get more from the Supervisors if needed. It was suggested that maybe we could have one culminating event in some place central like Redwood City with awards and recognition.

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The group discussed possible the idea of “Elements of Participation” and themes around “Hope” and “Building Community Through Art.”

It was suggested that it would be great to get the press such as the San Mateo Daily Journal to help publicize and promote. The Director noted that the OAC had a very active Facebook and Instagram presence and that we could also work with the County Communications Department.

The Director said she would set up the next meeting with the Municipal Colleagues before the next Arts Commission meeting.

5. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 3:54 pm.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING: March 16, 2022 – 3:00-5:00 PM