

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL  
CITY COUNCIL  
STAFF REPORT

**Meeting Date:** September 17, 2019  
**To:** Honorable Mayor and Honorable City Councilmembers  
**From:** City Administration  
**Subject:** Receipt and Acceptance of Informational Item of Notice of Upcoming Vacancies on the Public Arts Committee  
**Recommendation :** That the Mayor and City Council Accept the Report and Authorize Staff to Begin the Recruitment Process  
**Funding:** Currently Budgeted: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No XX N/A  
Net General Fund Cost: N/A  
Amount: \$0

**INTRODUCTION:** This item is to request that the City Council Accept the Report and Authorize Staff to Begin the Recruitment Process.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Sebastopol Public Arts Committee consists of five voting members with the criteria for a City of Sebastopol Public Arts Committee Member as listed below. Terms of office for each of the Committee members shall be four-year, staggered terms. Said Committee shall be comprised of five members as follows:

Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the City Council.

Prior to making any appointments, the City Council will seek the input and nominations for potential Committee members from City of Sebastopol based registered non-profit art organizations, entities, facilities, schools, etc.

Preference will be shown to City of Sebastopol residents and persons who own a business or work in the City, however, qualified candidates from the greater Sebastopol and Sonoma County area will be considered.

- 1) One member shall be an active member of a City of Sebastopol based, art focused, registered non-profit organization, entity or facility
- 2) Two members shall be persons with experience in the public art field as either an artist, installer or designer.
- 3) One member shall be a member of the general public.
- 4) The Council shall appoint a member of the Design Review Board to serve on the Committee.

In the event suitable candidates satisfactory to the City Council in the above categories are not available to serve, the City Council may then select any person or persons in their discretion.

The Committee shall maintain a registry of public art in the City and perform the duties required of this ordinance and any other ordinance or resolution of the City Council pertaining to the City of Sebastopol's Public Art Program.

In addition to development related public art projects or public art projects funded by the Public Art Fund, the Committee shall review and provide recommendations to the City Council on Non-Development Generated Public Art projects.

The Public Arts Committee Members are as follows:

PAC MEMBER	TERM ENDING DATE	CATEGORY
MARGHE MILLS-THYSEN	Jun. 30, 2020	1
<b>WARREN ARNOLD</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2019</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>VACANT (VACATED BY DAVID GORDON)</b>	<b>December 31, 2019</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>JEN VERTZ, VICE CHAIR</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2019</b>	<b>3</b>
LARS LANGBERG	Upon expiration of DRB term	4 (DRB Selection)

As noted in yellow highlight above, the openings will occur December 31, 2019.

**DISCUSSION:**

City Staff will initiate the public application process for the upcoming vacancies. Applications will be available on the City website and at City Hall. Notice of the vacancy will be published and the application period will be open for a period of approximately six weeks (September 26, 2019 through November 2019). Staff will agendize the interviews and appointments for a future City Council meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Mayor and Council Accept the Report and Authorize Staff to Begin the Recruitment Process.