



A G E N D A
CITY OF SEASIDE
ART AND HISTORY
COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING
986 HILBY AVENUE (SEAHORSE ROOM)
Tuesday, August 11, 2026
5:15 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Robert Daniels Jr.	Chair
Ethelyn Thomas	Vice Chair
Emerson Brown	Commissioner
Keylin Figueroa	Commissioner
Julie Ann Hughett	Commissioner

3. REVIEW OF AGENDA

If there are any items that arose after the 72-hour posting deadline, this is the point in the meeting where a vote may be taken to add the item to the agenda. (A 2/3-majority vote is required).

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

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5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 15, 2026

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. SEASIDE ARCHIVES STATUS REPORT

B. APPROVE A BUDGET TRANSFER OF \$2,675.00 FROM THE ART COMMISSION BUDGET ACCOUNT TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER BUDGET ACCOUNT "ART PROGRAM" TO SUPPORT THE 2026 FALL ART COMPETITION AND 2027 YOUTH ART COMPETITION

7. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

8. STAFF COMMUNICATION

9. ADJOURNMENT

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September 8, 2026
5:15 PM

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MINUTES
CITY OF SEASIDE
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COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING
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Tuesday, July 14, 2026
5:15 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at: 5:15 PM

2. **ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:**

ART & HISTORY COMMISSION:

Robert Daniels Jr	Head Chair	PRESENT
Ethelyn Thomas	Vice Chair	PRESENT
Emerson Brown	Commissioner	PRESENT
Keylin Figueroa	Commissioner	PRESENT
Julie Ann Hughett	Commissioner	PRESENT

STAFF:

Kee Hyon Higgins	PRESENT
Victoria Lee	PRESENT

GUESTS PRESENT:

Sandra Gray
Ken Fittro

3. **REVIEW OF AGENDA:**

If there are any items that arose after the 72-hour posting deadline, this is the point in the meeting where a vote may be taken to add the item to the agenda.
(A 2/3-majority vote is required)

* None

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

* Sandra Gray proposes meeting to discuss with NIC to request money in regards for Art Program supplies exclusive to Oldemeyer Center.

5. **APPROVAL OF June 16, 2026 MINUTES:**

* Motion Passes Unanimously

6. BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. SEASIDE ATTRACTIONS/BUSINESS WITH ARTIST MARIA SCHOETTLER:

- Commissioner Brown recalled the previous map rate was about \$1,000 per page. The Commission agreed more discussion is needed to determine map features before getting an updated cost estimate. Commissioner Brown suggested including key city locations, parks, and parks with existing artwork or sculptures.
- Commissioner Hughett supported moving forward with the map and noted that Carmel has a similar map featuring paid business listings. He also supported including parks and attractions with public artwork.
- Staff estimated a PDF version of the map would cost \$2,000–\$2,500.
- The item was tabled so staff could contact the artist for additional information.

Public Comment:

* Sandra Gray inquiries about inclusion of School Murals or if map will only include City Sponsored murals only.

B. SEASIDE ARCHIVE MARKETING AND PROMOTION:

- Staff reported they have contacted the archivist to discuss the archives website timeline, project needs, and a possible presentation at the next meeting.
- Commissioner Figueroa supported centralizing the archives and suggested sharing historical stories and archived items online to improve public access.
- Commissioner Brown expressed interest in visiting the archives to review the collection and identify items to feature.
- Chair Daniels supported digitizing the archives and offered to assist with scanning historical documents and photographs.
- Staff may contact a previous organization that helped digitize historical newspapers

Public Comment:

* Sandra mentions that she will be involved in an oral history project involving a State Parks Organization that will involve people who formerly lived through Marina and Fort Ord.

7. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

* Commissioner Figueroa brings up that 4th of July even was great. Mentions that Lupitas Bakery has mural through Monterey Artists Council

* Vice Chair Thomas reports that City Council must approve ordinance regarding potential increase in commissioners from formal request that the Commission must submit.

8. STAFF COMMUNICATION:

- Staff reported the Library Mural design has been updated to feature a Fort Ord pine, with additional books requested by the City Council. The book selections will include local authors, library recommendations, and the Mayor's picks.
- Staff will present the revised mural design to the City Council. The changes increase the project cost due to the expanded mural and updated design.
- Staff reported the project has been delayed by work visa requirements for the international artist. If the mural is not completed in July, the artist is available in December.
- Staff provided updates on the Utility Box Art Project, Seaside Stars signage, and potential future mural locations.
- Staff explained that the proposed Deja Blue mural must be presented to the Commission by the property owner, and an agreement will be required regarding the mural's future if the property changes ownership or is repainted.
- Staff reminded the Commission about upcoming community art events, including the Hidden Talents of Monterey County reception and the Padre Trails Camera Club event.
- Staff announced a potential November solo exhibition by Native American artist Becky Olvera Shultz at the Oldemeyer Center.

Public Comment:

- Sandra expressed disappointment with the selection of the Library Mural artist, stating she believed the RFP was intended for local artists. She encouraged the Commission to have a contingency plan and called for improved planning on future mural projects.
- Ken highlighted that selecting an international artist for the Library Mural would enhance the city's image, increase Seaside's visibility, and support economic development.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at: **6:40 PM.**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Hailie D. Bringas, SAHC Clerk

Robert Daniels Jr. , SAHC Chair

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting

August 11, 2026

Time: 5:15 p.m.

HYBRID (Virtual & In-Person)



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 6.A.

TO: Art and History Commission

BY: Kee Hyon Higgins, Recreation Superintendent

DATE: August 11, 2026

SUBJECT: SEASIDE ARCHIVES STATUS REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND

Commissioner Figueroa seeks to enhance and improve the public awareness of the Seaside Historical Archives, which is currently located at Soper Community Center. After touring the archives and meeting with staff, her suggestions are the following:

- Marketing and promotion of the archives
- Website improvement
- Quarterly features that reflect Seaside's history and culture (Veterans, City Birthday)
- Virtual access of archives on website

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to this item.

ATTACHMENTS

None



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 6.B.

TO: Art and History Commission

BY:

DATE: August 11, 2026

SUBJECT: APPROVE A BUDGET TRANSFER OF \$2,675.00 FROM THE ART COMMISSION BUDGET ACCOUNT TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER BUDGET ACCOUNT "ART PROGRAM" TO SUPPORT THE 2026 FALL ART COMPETITION AND 2027 YOUTH ART COMPETITION

RECOMMENDATION

Approve a budget transfer of \$2,675.00 from the Art Commission Budget Account to the Community Center Budget Account "Art Program" to support the 2026 Fall Art Competition and 2027 Youth Art Competition.

BACKGROUND

In prior years, to transfer funds from the Art Commission Account 601-2116 to the Community Center Account 100-9200-7190, approval is required from the Art and History Commissioners. Funds are needed to be transferred due to the cost of the Fall and Youth Art Competition prizes.

ATTACHMENTS

None
