

**MORAGA PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION AND
ART IN PUBLIC SPACES COMMITTEE
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022 – 6:00 pm
Location: West Commons Park**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 6:03 pm
ROLL CALL: Chair: Pelchat
Commissioners Hemkin, Kennedy, Kolm, Shephard, Stone

Chair: Onoda
Committee Members D’Arcy, Hartz, Pelchat, Thiel

Absences: Kennedy, Kolm
Absences: Rusk

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS** – Time reserved for those in the audience who wish to address the Park and Recreation Commission. The audience should be aware that the Commission may not discuss details or vote on non-agenda items. Your concerns may be referred to staff or placed on a future agenda. Note: Public input will also be taken during each agenda item.

3. **ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA**
M/S – Commissioner Onoda/Crain to adopt the meeting agenda as presented, Unanimous

4. **ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

6. **REPORTS**

7. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Tour of West Commons Park**

Director Brandt provided a tour of the Town’s newly acquired West Commons Park property which consists of 2.53 acres of passive park space. West Commons Park provides trails, benches, interpretive signage, and access to nature. Town Council formally accepted the park on April 27, 2022 into the Town’s park system.

 - B. **Consider the Location, Placement and Recommendation of Potential Art Sculptures**

The Art in Public Spaces Committee has long awaited the acceptance of West Commons Park to pursue the installation of public artwork in the passive park space. The Art in Public Spaces Committee originally approved two pieces of artwork for West Commons Park in August 2019. Given the delay in Town acceptance of the park, the proposed projects did not move forward. Upon acceptance, the artists were contacted and one of the proposed sculptures by Tony Zurich remained available. Upon touring the park and discussing the piece, a location was identified.

M/S – Commissioner Onoda/Hartz to recommend “The Fisherman” by artist Tony Zurich for West Commons Park, Unanimous

A second sculpture the “Pear” by artist Buddy Brodwin was approved by the Art in Public Spaces Committee in May 2021 and subsequently approved conceptually by Park and Recreation Commission in November 2021 without a defined location identified. Upon touring West Commons Park, a suitable location was identified for the “Pear” sculpture, and both the Art in Public Spaces Committee and the Park and Recreation Commission identified and agreed upon a location for the “Pear” sculpture at West Commons Park.

M/S – Commissioner D’Arcy/Onoda to recommend the “Pear” by artist Buddy Brodwin for West Commons Park, Unanimous

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. ADJOURNMENT

M/S—Commissioner Hemkin/Onoda to adjourn the May 16, 2022 Special Meeting, at 6:49 p.m., Unanimous