

## RESOLUTION NO.3355

### A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO ESTABLISHING A SAN ANSELMO ART COMMISSION

**WHEREAS**, the growth and flourishing of art and culture enhances the quality of life in a community, and contributes to the public's enjoyment of life, education, sense of community pride, and local identity; and

**WHEREAS**, the encouragement of art and culture is an appropriate matter of concern to the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town's prestige and general welfare will be promoted by providing recognition that art and culture, and the creative spirit which motivates them and which they personify, are valued as an essential part of the Town's resources; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to implement these findings, it is desirable to establish the San Anselmo Art Commission (hereinafter called "Commission") to provide such recognition and encouragement in the promotion of art and culture in the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

1. A San Anselmo Art Commission is established with the goal to add to the cultural character of the Ross Valley, through any form of artistic expression.
2. The objectives of the Commission include:
  - ◆ Providing a structure to facilitate the creation of art in all disciplines in the community to provide enrichment and enjoyment for the public.
  - ◆ Promoting and exhibiting art and cultural works produced by Ross Valley artists.
  - ◆ Promoting art education in the community and supporting art education in the schools using art displayed as a community outreach project.
  - ◆ Using funds raised by the Commission for the development and implementation of projects and programs that promote the purpose of the Commission.
  - ◆ Establishing a relationship between artists and the local business community.
  - ◆ Organizing local community resources to better serve local artists and art groups in the Ross Valley and its citizens.
3. The Commission shall exercise the powers reasonably necessary to perform and carry out its responsibilities as delegated by the San Anselmo Town Council. The duties of the Commission include:
  - ◆ Acting in an advisory capacity to the San Anselmo Town Council on artistic, aesthetic, and other cultural aspects of community life.

- ◆ Submitting an annual report to the San Anselmo Town Council, Ross Town Council, Fairfax Town Council, and the Marin County Board of Supervisors on its finances, programs and activities.
  - ◆ Working cooperatively with Recreation Department staff, Recreation Director, and the Parks and Recreation Commission, and other public and private organizations in promoting art and cultural activities within the Ross Valley.
  - ◆ Encouraging public-private partnerships, including the raising of funds, to assure the survival of the arts in the Ross Valley.
  - ◆ Reporting projects, shows, future endeavors, etc. to the San Anselmo Town Council on a semi-annual basis.
4. Commission membership shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Town Council, and shall serve without pay.
  5. The Council shall consider, but is not restricted to, the following criteria in making appointments to the Commission:
    - ◆ Residency in the Ross Valley. No more than six (6) members of the Committee shall be non-residents of the Town.
    - ◆ Representation to include a wide range of residents, with a variety of art disciplines and ability levels on the Commission.
    - ◆ Availability of time to participate actively as a working member of the Commission, and to represent a broad cross section of interests.
  6. Members of the Commission shall be appointed to terms of three (3) years; provided that the first members appointed shall serve a differing number of term lengths to accomplish a staggering of the appointment schedule so that no more than one-third of the seats shall expire in any one year.
  7. Any member who misses more than three (3) unexcused consecutive meetings will be removed from the Commission.
  8. Regarding Officers, Meetings and Rules:
    - ◆ The Commission shall annually elect a chairperson, vice chairperson, secretary, and such other officers as deemed necessary for the efficient functioning of the Commission.
    - ◆ All meetings of the Commission shall be public. Regular meetings shall be held no less frequently than quarterly at a scheduled time and place in the Ross Valley. Minutes of all Commission meetings shall be public record and placed on file with the Town Clerks of the Ross Valley and the County Board of Supervisors.
    - ◆ Except as herein limited, the Commission shall follow Robert's Rules of Order.

- ◆ The Commission may establish Ad Hoc Committees as it deems necessary to accomplish its goals and objectives.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of San Anselmo on the 23rd day of July, 1996, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Breen, Chignell, Hodgens, Kroot, Yarish

NOES: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

Debra Stutsman

Town Clerk