



CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
OLD TOWN PORTAL MARKET ADVISORY BOARD
November 20, 2019 - Minutes

Board Members: Ramona Tafoya, Charlene Kalbfell, Sylvia Ramos, Denise Pepin, Betty Panos
Public: Susan Baca, Richard F. Baca
City Representative: James S. de Champlon

Ramona established that there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Sylvia motioned to approve the Agenda; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Charlene motioned to approve the Minutes; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Consideration over the allowance of premanufactured charms and pendants in the production of handcrafted items to be sold on the Portal.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding premanufactured pendants or charms being allowed for use as findings in the construction of handcrafted jewelry items.

One point of view here is that premanufactured pendants or charms are no different than other findings that that Portal Market craftspeople use such as special shaped beads, stone cabs, or silver findings that might be considered design elements, such as feathers.

Another point of view is that premanufactured pendants or charms should not be allowed in the construction of a handcrafted item because the executed design of such pendants and charms overwhelms the contributions that the craftsperson might make to the final product, in other words premanufactured pendants and charms can not be included as simple design elements because they themselves become the absolute focal point of any piece that they might be incorporated into.

There was agreement to continue this discussion at the next Board Meeting.

The next Board meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Police Sub Station at Rio Grande Blvd. and Central on February 19th.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.