

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING: JUNE 26, 2007
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Presiding: Chair Susan Deen

Call to Order
7:01 p.m.

Chair Deen called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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Roll Call

Present: Clement Hanami, Luther Henderson, III, Ronnie Jayne, Gayle Smashey, and Chair Deen.

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Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Community Development Director Sol Blumenfeld.

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Staff Present

Christine Byers, Public Art & Historic Preservation Coordinator; Susan Obrow, Performing Arts Coordinator & Special Events Producer; Sol Blumenfeld, Community Development Director and Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager.

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Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

None.

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Item #C-1

Agenda Posting

Moved by Commissioner Jayne, seconded by Vice Chair Henderson and unanimously carried, to receive and file the Secretary's Report regarding the agenda posting for this meeting.

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Item #C-2

May 8, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Commissioner Smashey, seconded by Commissioner Jayne and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of May 8, 2007 as written.

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**Item #A-1
7:03 p.m.**

Presentation by the City Manager and the Assistant City Manager Related to the Facilitated Meeting and Recently Adopted City Council Policy

Assistant City Manager Martin Cole relayed City Manager Jerry Fulwood's apologies for not being able to attend the meeting and he briefly summarized the material of record.

Responding to Commissioner inquiries, Assistant City Manager Cole explained that while he, City Manager Fulwood and Community Development Director Sol Blumenfeld would be more involved with the Commission, the changes to Commission interaction with City staff would not be significant.

Assistant City Manager Cole indicated that the format of meeting minutes had been changed now that meetings are available for streaming on the web. Also, he explained that AB1234 required any member of a legislative body to take a certain amount of state certified training in the area of ethics every two years.

Assistant City Manager Cole indicated support for the positive relationship between Commissioners and staff, noting that staff sought to help all Commissions to work toward Council goals. He commented that the Council set the policy, the Commissions are part of the process of moving that policy forward and staff wanted to see the Commissions more involved with that process.

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7:30 p.m.

Public Comment

Charles Deen, made a presentation with images commemorating Chair Susan Deen's tenure on the Cultural Affairs Commission.

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**Item #A-2
7:35 p.m.**

Introduction of New Cultural Affairs Commissioner Marla Koosed

Public Art and Historic Preservation Coordinator Byers introduced new Cultural Affairs Commissioner Koosed.

Marla Koosed introduced herself and indicated that she was looking forward to working with the Commissioners.

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7:39 p.m.

Receipt of Correspondence

Performing Arts Coordinator & Special Events Producer Obrow presented correspondence to Chair Deen.

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Items from Staff

Public Art and Historic Preservation Coordinator Byers reported working closely with IT staff in updating the Cultural Affairs pages on the City's website and to create an interactive map of public art pieces in the City. She also reported working on a downtown walking tour of public art.

Performing Arts Coordinator & Special Events Producer Obrow reported upon the success of ARTWALK Culver City noting that approximately 10,000 people attended with 42 galleries participating. She reported that the Los Angeles Arts Town Hall took place on Saturday, June 16 and the County is about to embark on a data capture project for grant makers and grant seekers to allow non-profit arts organizations the opportunity to enter their financial information once in a central electronic form to streamline the process.

Performing Arts Coordinator & Special Events Producer Obrow announced performers and sponsors of the Culver City Music Festival as well as upcoming performances by grant recipients.

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7:48 p.m.

Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Hanami thanked Chair Deen for her mentorship over the years and he commented on the success of ARTWALK Culver City.

Commissioner Smashey indicated that she would be absent from the July 10, 2007 meeting but she would relay her subcommittee preferences to staff. She thanked Chair Deen for her service to the Commission and she welcomed Commissioner Koosed to the Commission.

Commissioner Smashey reminded everyone that Fiesta La Ballona would run from August 20 through August 26 and she summarized some of the events that will be featured.

Commissioner Jayne commented on the success of ARTWALK Culver City, that she was looking forward to Fiesta La Ballona, she welcomed new Commissioner Koosed and thanked Chair Deen for her hard work on the Commission.

Vice Chair Henderson welcomed new Commissioner Koosed and he congratulated Public Art and Historic Preservation Coordinator Byers and Performing Arts Coordinator & Special Events Producer Obrow on a successful ARTWALK.

Responding to Vice Chair Henderson, Performing Arts Coordinator & Special Events Producer Obrow noted that of the 42 gallery participants in ARTWALK, 24 were in Culver City and 18 were in Los Angeles. She added that the Los Angeles County Arts Commission would not be visiting Culver City this year for the annual Arts Commissioner Forum as they rotate the cities they visit but staff was pleased to report that Culver City would be hosting the Los Angeles Arts Funders group on July 11.

Vice Chair Henderson thanked Chair Deen for a great job noting that she had kept the Commission on the right path.

Chair Deen recounted Commission accomplishments since its inception in 2001.

8:06 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Vice Chair Henderson, seconded by Commissioner Jayne and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mike Balkman Council Chambers, City Hall.

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SUSAN DEEN, CHAIR

KRISTI CALLAN
Minutes Reporter

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Certification of Documents by the City Clerk

I, Jeremy Green, being the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Culver City, California hereby depose and declare

The 7 pages of the Cultural Affairs Commission Approved Minutes for the Regular Meeting of June 26, 2007 attached hereto are true and correct copies of documents in the possession of the City of Culver City.

I have affixed the Seal of the City of Culver City, California to indicate they are such true and correct copies.

Certified on this 7th day of March, 2022.

BY:



Jeremy Green, CMC
City Clerk

