

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION,
CITY OF CULVER CITY,
CALIFORNIA

December 13, 2011
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Cultural Affairs Commission was called
to order at 7:03 P.M.

Present: Chair Gayle Smashey
Vice Chair Marlyn Musicant
Commissioner Michelle Bernardin
Commissioner Ronnie Jayne
Commissioner Marla Koosed

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Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Justin Scupine, Culver
City Times.

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Public Comment - Items Not On the Agenda

Chair Smashey invited public input.

There was no response.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER KOOSSED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
JAYNE, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS
COMMISSION APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 8, 2011
REGULAR MEETING.

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Action Items

Item A-1

**1) Update on Maintenance of Public Art in Culver City; and
2) Consideration of LA Propoint, Inc.'s Proposal for Future
Maintenance of Ed Carpenter's *Hanging Garden* at City Hall
and Restoration of Don Merkt's *Crossed Currents* at 4343
Duquesne Avenue and Provide a Recommendation to City
Council.**

Chair Smashey invited public input.

There was no response.

Christine Byers, Public Art and Historic Preservation
Coordinator, provided a summary of the material of record.

A discussion between staff and the Commission ensued
regarding the number of works without covenants; plaques;
maintenance; setting a good example; additional future
maintenance for *Hanging Garden*; subcommittee consideration;
contingency funds; changing costs; guaranteed pricing for
routine maintenance over time; applicability of California
state tax; and staff acknowledgment of a clerical error in
the proposal from LA Propoint, Inc.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER KOOSSED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR
MUSICANT, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS
COMMISSION:

1. RECEIVE AND FILE INFORMATION AS PROVIDED BY STAFF;

AND

2. RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE A PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LA PROPOINT, INC. FOR MAINTENANCE
OF ED CARPENTER'S *HANGING GARDEN* AT CITY HALL IN AN AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$12,000;

AND

3. RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LA PROPOINT, INC. FOR RESTORATION OF DON MERKT'S *CROSSED CURRENTS* AT 4343 DUQUESNE AVENUE WITH AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.

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Item A-2

Creation and Assignment of Commissioners to an Ad Hoc Subcommittee for the Commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the Art in Public Places Program

Chair Smashey invited public input.

There was no response.

Christine Byers, Public Art and Historic Preservation Coordinator, provided a summary of the material of record.

A discussion between staff and the Commission ensued regarding commemorating the Public Art program; the subcommittee; balancing Commissioner schedules; the most active period for the subcommittee; the budget process; changing subcommittee members; the date the ordinance was adopted that created the Art in Public Places Program; and the timing of programs.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER JAYNE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERNARDIN, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION:

1. PROVIDE DIRECTION AND INPUT REGARDING THE CREATION OF AN AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM; AND
2. APPOINT VICE CHAIR MUSICANT AND COMMISSIONER KOOSD TO THIS AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE.

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Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Chair Smashey invited public comment.

No speakers came forward and no cards were received.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Jeremy Green, Cultural Affairs Administration and Special Projects Coordinator, distributed correspondence to Commissioners.

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Items From Staff

Susan Obrow, Performing Arts and Special Events Coordinator, reported on the success of *Speak Easy* noting that they were currently working on the video that would be posted as a webcast and possible cablecast; she indicated that the performing arts grants were unanimously approved by the City Council on December 5 and that staff was working on contracts and publicity for the performances that would begin in February; she announced that the annual Cultural Affairs Town Hall would be on January 10, 2012 in Council Chambers; and she thanked Commissioners for their hard work over the past year.

Christine Byers, Public Art and Historic Preservation Coordinator, reported giving a tour of Westfield Culver City's public art to Otis students on December 1, and she noted that Community Development staff would be meeting soon with art galleries impacted by the California Building Code life-safety requirements.

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Items From Commissioners

Commissioner Koosed questioned when the IndieCade wrap up would be available and she thanked staff for their efforts this year.

Vice Chair Musicant reported seeing We Tell Stories perform at La Ballona Elementary School and she expressed appreciation for a new section on the City website highlighting City museums.

Christine Byers, Public Art and Historic Preservation Coordinator, clarified that link on the City website for cultural resources, including the Culver City Historical

Society and The Wende Museum, had been added over a year ago.

Commissioner Bernardin discussed Rachel Rosenthal's recent performance; reported on the installation of the 13th Historical Marker by the Culver City Historical Society at Veterans Memorial Building; and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Commissioner Jayne wished everyone Happy Holidays; reported attending *The Night Watcher* at the Kirk Douglas Theatre; she indicated that her favorite movie of the year was *The Artist* and she encouraged everyone to go see it; and she thanked staff for their hard work.

Chair Smashey wished everyone Happy Holidays; and thanked staff for their hard work.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:14 P.M., the Cultural Affairs Commission adjourned its meeting to a Town Hall Meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. on January 10, 2012 in the Mike Balkman Council Chambers at City Hall.

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SECRETARY of the Cultural Affairs Commission

APPROVED _____

GAYLE SMASHEY
CHAIR of the Culver City Cultural Affairs Commission
City of Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Martin R. Cole
CITY CLERK

Date

By: _____
Ela Valladares
Deputy City Clerk

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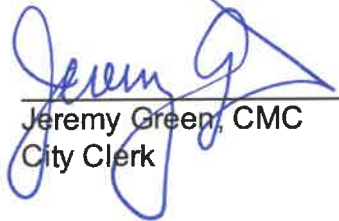
I, Jeremy Green, being the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Culver City, California hereby depose and declare

The 6 pages of the Cultural Affairs Commission Approved Minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2011 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

