

REGULAR MEETING, JULY 12, 2005
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION

PRESIDING: CHAIR RONNIE JAYNE

Call to Order
7:01 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Susan Deen; Luther L. Henderson, III; Ronnie Jayne; and, Gayle Smashey.

Pledge of Allegiance

Ron Milberger led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Staff Present

Linda Simmons, Event Supervisor; and, Elaine Gerety-Warner, Management Analyst.

Commissioner Deen read an item of correspondence into the record from Kathy Weaver, who was unable to attend the meeting.

Item #C-1.

Agenda Posting.

It was moved by Commissioner Henderson, seconded by Commissioner Smashey and unanimously carried, to receive and file the Secretary's Report regarding the agenda posting for this meeting.

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Item #P-1.
7:03 p.m.

Introduction of New Commissioners.

Ms. Gerety gave a brief introduction for Commissioner Smashey and officially welcomed her to the Cultural Affairs Commission.

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Item #A-1.
7:05 p.m.

Election of Officers for 2005 - 2006 Fiscal Year.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER SMASHEY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HENDERSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, TO ELECT COMMISSIONER JAYNE AS CHAIR AND COMMISSIONER DEEN AS VICE-CHAIR OF THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION.

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Item #A-2.
7:05 p.m.

Assignment of Commissioners to Sub-Committees for 2005 - 2006 Fiscal Year.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HENDERSON, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR DEEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

Sub-Committee

Commissioners

Education in Life Long Learning	Jayne, Smashey
Facilities	Jayne
Festivals and Events	Jayne, Smashey
Fundraising	Henderson, Jayne
Grants and Artist Services	Deen, Henderson
Historic Preservation	Deen
Image and Public Relations	Henderson
Public Art	Deen, Smashey

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Item #A-3.
7:12 p.m.

**Consideration of Draft Notice of Funding Availability
(NOFA) for the 2006 Performing Arts Grant Program.**

Ms. Simmons presented a summary of the staff report.

Chair Jayne entertained Commissioners' comments.

Commissioner Smashey indicated there is a discrepancy in terms of the 11 point font. She noted that the text on Page 3 indicates the application should be typed in 11 point font size but reference is made later in the document that the application should be no smaller than 11 point font size.

Vice-Chair Deen requested the sentence at the top of Page 9, "For questions on pages 9-10," be corrected to read, "For questions on pages 9-13,".

Chair Jayne stated she noticed some pagination discrepancies and directed staff to review the document and make the appropriate corrections. She also mentioned that DVD's should be included along with audio tapes, CDs, and VHS tapes for the six-minute excerpts the applicants are required to submit.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HENDERSON, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR DEEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION APPROVE THE 2006 NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) FOR THE 2006 PERFORMING ARTS GRANT PROGRAM AS AMENDED.

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Item #A-4
7:26 p.m.

Schedule Workshop for August 9, 2005.

Commissioner Henderson requested staff provide the Commission with a review of the Community Cultural Plan including what has been achieved to date and what items the community has expressed interest in seeing the CAC pursue.

After some discussion of the Commissioners' calendars, Ms. Gerety-Warner suggested postponing the item to the August 9th meeting

to allow time to gather update information as well as potential dates on which to conduct the workshop.

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7:33 p.m.

Receipt of Correspondence.

None.

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7:34 p.m.

Items From Staff.

Ms. Gerety-Warner advised that the upcoming Art of ... speaker series event would be presented on July 27th at 7:00 p.m. and would address the art of visual effects and their impact on the film industry. She reminded that although the event is free and open to the public reservations are required, saying those interested in attending should call (310) 253-5777.

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7:34 p.m.

Items from Commissioners.

Commissioner Henderson welcomed Commissioner Smashey and extended wishes that her term on the CAC would be fruitful and productive, saying he looks forward to working with all the members of the Commission. He commented that he would like to initiate a review of the Community Cultural Plan, saying one of the reasons he applied for reappointment was to attempt to accomplish more of the things articulated in that plan to enhance the cultural life and welfare of Culver City's residents.

Vice-Chair Deen remarked that she attended Art in the Plaza over the weekend, noting the artists were varied and interesting and it was a delightful experience. She commented she is very excited that the Kirk Douglas Theatre has completed its first season and is thrilled to see that The Actors' Gang has already begun some community outreach.

Commissioner Smashey voiced pleasure on being appointed to the CAC, saying she looks forward to not only this first year but the next four as well.

Chair Jayne welcomed Commissioner Smashey. She remarked that the Summer Sunset Music Festival concerts have been absolutely wonderful and she looks forward to continuing to play a part in bringing the community together with art.

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7:40 p.m.

Adjournment.

With no further business for the Commission to consider, the Chair entertained a motion for adjournment.

MOVED BY VICE-CHAIR DEEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMASHEY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:49 P.M. TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MIKE BALKMAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronnie Jayne, Chair



Debra Presutti, Minutes Reporter