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Action Items

Item A-1

Recommendation to the City Council to 1) Develop a Culver City Artist Laureate Program, and 2) Appoint Dr. Janet Hoult as Honorary Artist Laureate for a Two Year Term

Chair Klein invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the Commission:

Dr. Janet Hoult commented on the proposal put forth by the subcommittee; indicated that she would be honored to serve as the first Honorary Artist Laureate for Poetry; she discussed focusing on the role that poetry would play in the upcoming Centennial; creating procedures for the selection of future Artists Laureate in all categories; she indicated that she would provide updates; and she felt it would be helpful to have a liaison with the Commission.

Christine Byers, Cultural Affairs Coordinator, summarized the material of record and read comments submitted by:

Commissioner Williams Marla Koosed

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding whether Dr. Hoult was intended to serve only in an advisory capacity or as the Honorary Artist Laureate or both; the term; requirements and needs during the Centennial; assistance from Dr. Hoult with creation of procedures and the process for selection of Artists Laureate in the future; creation of an Ad Hoc Artist Laureate subcommittee; the hands on, practical experience that Dr. Hoult has; Culver City as being at the forefront of such a program; other arts areas that could be selected; having a rotating program for different arts disciplines; working with other organizations in the City; length of term; stipend; allowing time to create a thorough process; working to have the program fully running by the Centennial; proportion of the stipend to the work done; other volunteers in the community without stipends; the Silicon Valley program; funding; appreciation to the

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subcommittee for their work; a suggestion to present the item to the Cultural Affairs Foundation; and integrating the entities.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CHERRY AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR DICKTER THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DEVELOP A CULVER CITY ARTIST LAUREATE PROGRAM. THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CHERRY, DICKTER, KLEIN, SMALL

NOES: NONE ABSENT: WILLIAMS

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding information provided to the City Council, and using the term Honorary as the position has not been formally established.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER SMALL AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHERRY THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPOINT DR. JANET HOULT AS HONORARY ARTIST LAUREATE FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM. THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CHERRY, DICKTER, KLEIN, SMALL

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: WILLIAMS