APPROVED MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
FIESTA LA BALLONA COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

October 7, 2020 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Guzzetta called the regular meeting of the Fiesta La Ballona Committee to order at 7:01 P.M. via videoconference.

Present: Greg Guzzetta, Chair

Lisa Marie Parker Desai, Vice Chair

Ronnie Jayne, Member Lila Swenson, Member Marcus G. Tiggs, Member*

Bob Wayne, Member

*Member Tiggs arrived at 7:06 P.M.

Staff: Darren Uhl, Recreation and Community Services

Manager

Jeannine Houchen, Recreation and Community

Services Supervisor

Terrica Miller, Administrative Clerk

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Pledge of Allegiance

Darren Uhl, Recreation and Community Services Manager, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Public Comment - Items Not On the Agenda

Chair Guzzetta invited public comment.

Terrica Miller, Administrative Clerk, indicated that no public comment had been received.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2020

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR PARKER DESAI AND SECONDED BY MEMBER SWENSON THAT THE FIESTA LA BALLONA COMMITTEE APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2020.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: GUZZETTA, PARKER DESAI, JAYNE, SWENSON, WAYNE

NOES: NONE ABESENT: TIGGS

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Discussion Regarding Proposed Direction for the Future of the Fiesta La Ballona Committee and Motion for a Recommendation to City Council

Member Tiggs joined the meeting.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding options before the Committee including disbanding the Committee, taking a one year hiatus, or extending Committee Member services for one year with the option of two years dependent on Member interest.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR PARKER DESAI, SECONDED BY MEMBER TIGGS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE FIESTA LA BALLONA COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL EXTEND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP TO CURRENT MEMBERS FOR ONE YEAR, WITH THE OPTION OF TWO YEARS DEPENDENT ON MEMBER INTEREST.

Members Jayne and Tiggs agreed to continued service if permitted to serve.

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Item A-2

Discussion Regarding the Month/Date which the Fiesta Event is Held and Possible Motion to Recommend a Change to City Council

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding meeting location; length of the pandemic; concern with competing with Halloween; weather concerns; the Jewish holidays; marketing; impetus for the change; ride availability; expiration of the contract with the current vendor and the need to go out to bid with the vendor contract; competition with local school fundraising; combining the event with Halloween; ending early on Sunday for trick or treating; pent up demand to get out and do things; and reviving the parade.

MOVED BY CHAIR GUZZETTA, SECONDED BY MEMBER SWENSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE FIESTA LA BALLONA COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL MOVE THE DATE FOR FIESTA LA BALLONA 2021 TO OCTOBER 29-31, 2021.

Darren Uhl, Recreation and Community Services Manager, expressed support for the proposed date noting that the Parks, Recreation and Community Services department has not traditionally had a Halloween event.

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Public Comment - Items Not On the Agenda (Continued)

Terrica Miller, Administrative Clerk, indicated that no public comment had been received.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Terrica Miller, Administrative Clerk, indicated that no correspondence had been received.

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Items from Staff

Terrica Miller, Administrative Clerk, reported that Stephanie DaVall, Recreation and Community Services Coordinator had given birth to a baby boy.

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Items from Committee Members

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding continued Committee meetings; new Committee Members; the Brown Act; and agreement that the next Committee meeting be held in January 2021.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 7:40 P.M., the Fiesta La Ballona Committee adjourned the meeting to January 6, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

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Terrica Miller

SECRETARY of the Fiesta La Ballona Committee

APPROVED Jan 06, 2021

CHAIR of the Culver City Fiesta La Ballona Committee 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, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.