

**MINUTES OF AN REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance Cultural Arts Commission convened in a regular session at 7:01 p.m. on Monday, July 20, 2015 in the West Annex meeting room, Torrance City Hall.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Bunting, Candioly, Frangos, Korman, Rische, Taylor, and Chairperson Muhammed.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Cultural Services Manager Rappoport.

4. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

MOTION: Commissioner Rische moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda. Commissioner Bunting seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5A. MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2015

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to approve the Commission meeting minutes of June 15, 2015 as presented. Commissioner Rische seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

Delores Garren, Destination Art, distributed brochures about the Artist Studios and Galleries and invited Commissioners to a Meet the Artists Reception on July 25.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7A. REVISED RECOMMENDATION FOR 2015-16 COMMUNITY ARTS GRANT FUNDING

Manager Rappoport reported that Saturday Night Bath Concert Fund is not eligible for funding this year because they have been funded for the past two years. She stated that the Grants committee met earlier this evening to review the applications and revise their recommendation for funding.

MOTION: Commissioner Bunting moved to approve 2015-2016 Community Arts Grants Awards as follows: Adventures in Art (\$1,400), Arts Council of Torrance (\$1,000), South Bay Children's Choir (\$600), and South Bay Conservatory (\$2,000), not to exceed a total of \$5,000. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

7B. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS APPLICATIONS

Commissioner Candioly, Chair of the Excellence in Arts Committee, urged Commissioners to begin promoting the Excellence in Arts awards program and soliciting nominations. He reminded them that the deadline for nominations is August 6, with recommendations to be reviewed on August 17.

Manager Rappoport distributed a list of previous Excellence in Arts award recipients since 1977.

8. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

8A. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS

Previously discussed in Item 7B.

8B. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Manager Rappoport reported that construction drawings for the Wilson Park Gazebo Project are 60% complete. She stated that there has been some redesign of the gazebo's roofline that would be more functional and still within the budget. She noted that staff is waiting for direction from the City Manager before moving forward and that the item would come back to the Facilities Committee or Commission.

8C. GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Previously discussed in Item 7A.

9. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport noted that the Cultural Services Division Report for June 2015 was included in agenda packets. She distributed fliers for Shakespeare by the Sea at Wilson Park on July 31 and August 1 as well as Torrance Theatre Company's 2015-16 Season and their production of "Hairspray" on August 8-22. She announced a free concert with "Mystic Wave" at Columbia Park on August 2.

10. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

10A. Commissioner Bunting stated that she enjoyed Shakespeare by the Sea's "As You Like It" in San Pedro and the Greek Festival in Redondo Beach.

10B. Commissioner Candioly announced that he is now President of the Board of the La Habra Children's Museum and stated that he had the opportunity to visit the Air and Space Museum in San Diego and Stone Brewery in Escondido.

10C. Commissioner Frangos shared information about several events that she attended that include the Lux Art Institute in Encinitas, “Velveteria” in Chinatown, Pasadena Museum of Art, a figure skating exhibition in El Segundo, and a Beethoven concert at the Hollywood Bowl.

10D. Chairperson Muhammed stated that he enjoyed Knott’s Berry Farm and is looking forward to seeing “Hairspray.”

10E. Commissioner Korman stated that she attended the Denver Children’s Art Museum, Cultural Arts Center Open House, “Singing in the Rain” at the Carpenter Center, Aerospace Players’ “Music Man,” and Cultural Arts Foundation’s Gala.

10F. Commissioner Taylor stated that he enjoyed “The Future is Not What it Used to Be” exhibit at the Armory in Pasadena.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: At 7:44 p.m., Commissioner Bunting moved to adjourn the meeting to Monday, August 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex meeting room at Torrance City Hall. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

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| Approved as submitted August 17, 2015 s/ Rebecca Poirier, City Clerk |
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