

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance Cultural Arts Commission convened in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 15, 2016 in the West Annex meeting room, Torrance City Hall. Due to the absence of Chairperson Taylor, Vice-Chairperson Sargent led the meeting.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Korman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Candioly, Frangos, Kang, Korman, and Vice-Chairperson Sargent.

Absent: Commissioner Muhammed and Chairperson Taylor.

Also Present: Cultural Services Manager Rappoport.

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to grant Commissioner Muhammed and Chairperson Taylor excused absences for the August 15, 2016 Commission meeting. Commissioner Frangos seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 5-0 approval.

4. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda. Commissioner Korman seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 5-0 approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5A. MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2016

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to approve the Commission meeting minutes of July 18, 2016 as presented. Commissioner Frangos seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 5-0 approval (absent Commissioner Muhammed and Chairperson Taylor).

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

Patrice Lefevre expressed her appreciation to the Commission for the grant they awarded Adventures in Art. She described the docent-based program that brings art into kindergarten through eighth grade classrooms. She shared Box Trolls, Abstract Reflections, and Malibu Tiles that the students were able to make with the grant funds.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7A. DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2015-2016

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport presented the draft 2015-2016 Commission Annual Report and asked Commissioners to review and amend as needed.

MOTION: Commissioner Candioly moved to approve the 2015-2016 Cultural Arts Commission Annual Report as presented and to forward it to City Council to accept and file. Commissioner Kang seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 5-0 approval (absent Commissioner Muhammed and Chairperson Taylor).

7B. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ARTS AWARDS NOMINEES

Commissioner Candioly, Chair of the Excellence in Arts Committee, reported that on August 8 the Committee met to review submissions for Excellence in Arts Awards. He noted that Committee members also reviewed a list of people and organizations that have been nominated over the last few years. Members and staff discussed the nominees, and Commissioner Candioly presented the Committee's recommendations for Awards as follows:

Literary Arts	Bondo Wyszpolski
Music	Patty Breitag
Visual Arts Design	Lexus Art Group Shows
Dance	Diane Ratley
Drama & Theatre Arts	Robert Minnichelli
Tom Rische Arts Education	Janene Ferguson
Katy Geissert Award	Gene & Linda Barnett

MOTION: The Excellence in Arts Committee moved to approve its recommendation as presented for Excellence in Arts Awards. Commissioner Kang seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected 5-0 approval (absent Commissioner Muhammed and Chairperson Taylor).

8. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

8A. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS COMMITTEE

Previously discussed in Item 7B.

8B. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport announced a walk through at the Wilson Park Gazebo project site at the end of August with the new General Services Project Manager. She stated that the project is going out to bid and that they are planning programming for summer 2017.

8C. GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE

No report.

9. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport noted that the Cultural Services Division Report for July 2016 was included in agenda packets. She reported that Shakespeare at the Sea at Wilson Park had 1,100 attendees over the two nights. She announced the last Concert in the Park with Mystic Wave on September 10 at Columbia Park. She encouraged Commissioners to attend Torrance Theatre Company's summer musical "The Drowsy Chaperone" that opened on August 13.

Commissioner Korman announced a Friends of Torrance Theatre Company's annual fundraiser "L.A. Miserable" on September 18 at the Doubletree Hotel.

10. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

10A. Commissioner Frangos stated that she enjoyed visiting the Torrance Art Museum exhibition "Grafforists."

10B. Commissioner Candioly stated that he enjoyed seeing the artwork at Lexus and discussed live entertainment at a coffee shop in Downtown Torrance on Friday evenings.

10C. Commissioner Korman stated that she enjoyed "The Drowsy Chaperone," Aerospace Players' "Fiddler on the Roof," and the Torrance Art Museum exhibition.

10D. Commissioner Kang stated that she had the opportunity to visit Museum of Contemporary Art and Broad Museums.

10E. Commissioner Sargent stated that she attended an art show at Lexus, and a jazz concert at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: At 7:50 p.m., Commissioner Candioly moved to adjourn the meeting to Monday, September 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex meeting room at Torrance City Hall. Commissioner Frangos seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected approval.

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Approved as submitted September 19, 2016 s/ Rebecca Poirier, City Clerk
