

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

455 North Rexford Drive Room 280A Beverly Hills, CA 90210

In-person / Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 10:00am

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Date/Time: Tuesday, June 13, 2023 / 10:01 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Gordy Bristol led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CIVILITY STATEMENT

Chair Filipovic read the Civility Statement.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: Pamela Beck, Karla Gordy Bristol, Deborah Frank, Vice Chair

Maralee Beck, Chair Liliana Filipovic

Commissioners absent:

None

Staff Present:

Stephanie Harris, Patty Acuna, Paul Paolone, Corrina Lesser,

Brandy Scott & Linda Kyriazi

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda. None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With the concurrence of the Commission, the Chair may choose to amend the order of the items on the agenda.

Chair Filipovic approved the agenda as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of minutes from the Arts and Culture Commission Regular Meeting of May 9, 2023.

MOTION by Gordy Bristol, SECONDED by Frank to approve the minutes as presented.

AYES:

Commissioners Karla Gordy Bristol, Deborah Frank, Vice Chair

Maralee Beck, Chair Liliana Filipovic (4/0)

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

Pamela Beck

CARRIED:

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

PRESENTATIONS

- 2. Interim Recreation Services Manager, Paul Paolone, will provide a recap on Art Show. Interim Recreation Services Manager, Paul Paolone, provided an overview of the Beverly Hills Art Show.
 - Beverly Hills celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Art Show on May 20th and 21st with 235 artists, a Family Fun Art craft area, gourmet food and dessert trucks, a beer and wine garden, demonstrating artists, volunteer art docents and community booths along 4 blocks of Beverly Gardens Park.
 - This free show featured art from 11 mediums including: ceramics, drawing and printmaking, glass, jewelry, painting, photography, sculpture, mixed media and watercolor. All works are original and represented by the artists themselves. Exhibiting artists hailed from 10 states as well as Ukraine, Thailand, and Mexico.
 - The artist reception and award ceremony, which included both City Council members and Commissioners, was a great way for all to interact.
 - The next show will be October 21 and 22, 2023 and applications are available now through July 28, 2023. For more information please visit: beverlyhills.org/artshow
- 3. Recreation Supervisor, Corrina Lesser, will provide a recap on Concerts on Canon series.

Recreation Supervisor, Corrina Lesser, provided an update on Concerts on Canon.

- Pride Night kicked off this summer's Concerts on Canon series on June 1st with performances by Leopold Nunan, Kymistry and West Hollywood City Poet Laureate Brian Sonia-Wallace of Pride Poets.
- These free concerts are held in Beverly Canon Gardens every Thursday night from 6pm 8pm through August 24, 2023.

- More information and updates can be found here: beverlyhills.org/concertsoncanon

NEW BUSINESS

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- **4.** Judy Chicago "Trinity" update presented by Director of Community Services, Stephanie Harris.
 - Stephanie Harris, Director of Community Services, provided an update on the status of artist Judy Chicago's "Trinity" art piece.
 - On May 16, 2023, staff presented the Arts and Culture Commission and then Beverly Hills Arts and Culture Council Liaisons recommendations for the acquisition and installation of the artwork, *Trinity*, by world-renowned artist Judy Chicago to City Council seeking approval. Robust discussion took place about the details of the acquisition, including fabrication and installation, warranty and other exhibitions. City Council has requested staff to return with additional information.

5. Financial Update

- a) Fine Art Fund Update Report
 - Paul Paolone, Interim Recreation Services Manager, provided an update on ongoing expenditures and pending in-lieu revenue as of May 31, 2023.
 - An increase was from in-lieu revenue went up last month.
 - Expenditures for the month included the Kusama refabrication in addition to routine maintenance to art pieces in Beverly Gardens Park prior to the May Art Show.
 - Lighting for the Fletcher Benton has been completed.
- b) Fine Art Obligation
 - Two pieces were installed and inspected by the Ad Hoc members: *Fin* by artist Alex Israel located at 136 El Camino along with *Golden Lasso* by artist Jean-Michel Othoniel located at 400 N. Rodeo.

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

PROJECT UPDATES

- 1. Arts and Culture Commission Updates
 - BH ArtWalks Guided Tours Summer series

- Paul Paolone, Interim Recreation Services Manager, informed the Commission of the latest, free ArtWalk that cover the art around the Civic Center campus collection. Register at beverlyhills.org/artwalk
- Manager's Report
 - Jewish American Heritage Month
 - During the month of May, a number of Community Services programs were created and scheduled throughout the City to celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month.
 - Make Music Day
 - The third annual Make Music Day is scheduled for Wednesday, June 21, 2023. Three events have been scheduled: A music themed Storytime, a Drum Circle along with a Community Make Music Day Stage. The complete schedule can be viewed at: beverlyhills.org/makemusicday
- Information only items
- Event Calendar
 - Reviewed

7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair's Report
 - a) Mayor's Cabinet Meeting Highlights
 - b) Ad Hoc Committees
 - Fine Arts/Public Art (Frank, P. Beck Scott)
 - Capital Projects (M. Beck, P. Beck Paolone)
 - Major and Annual Events (M. Beck, Filipovic Paolone)
 - Performing Arts, Heritage Initiatives, Community Engagement (Gordy Bristol, Filipovic – Paolone)
 - Embrace and Celebrate Culture Initiative (Frank, Gordy Bristol Paolone)
 - c) Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities
 - Commissioner Gordy Bristol read a statement about the history of Juneteenth being celebrated on June 19, 2023, which became a Federal Holiday in 2021 and noted the City's Concerts on Canon will be celebrating on Thursday, June 22, 2023 with the band Upstream.
 - Commissioner Frank read a statement about Pride Month and highlighted a number of events that were held in Beverly Hills.
 - d) Arts and Culture Commission Upcoming Meetings: Tuesday, July 11, 2023.

8. ROTATION OF CHAIR

- Stephanie Harris, Director of Community Services, announced the Rotation of Chair and, along with the Commissioners, thanked Chair Liliana Filipovic for her year of service.

ADJOURNMENT

• Date / Time: June 13, 2023 / 11:26 a.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 11th day of July 2023

Maralee Beck, Chairperson

Decisions of the Arts and Culture Commission may be appealed to the City Council within 14 days of the Arts and Culture Commission's Action by filing a written appeal with the City Clerk. Appeal forms are available in the City Clerk's office. Note: Appeal Fee Required.

If there are any questions about this agenda, please contact Paul Paolone, Recreation Services Manager, 310-285-6826,ppaolone@beverlyhills.org