



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 10, 2021
10:00am

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: August 10, 2021 / 10:02 am

CIVILITY STATEMENT

The Civility Statement was read to initiate the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Gordy Bristol, Beck and Vahn, Vice Chair Filipovic, Chair Frank

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Jenny Rogers, Patty Acuña, Paul Paolone, Adriné Ovasapyan, Aida Thau, Jessica Barragan

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.

Recording Secretary Jessica Barragan read 1 public comment that was submitted to the Commission: Sesil Jenkins

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

By order of Chair Frank, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2021.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Vahn, SECONDED by Vice Chair Filipovic to approve the minutes (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordy Bristol, Beck and Vahn, Vice Chair Filipovic, and Chair Frank

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NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

PRESENTATIONS

2. Los Angeles Metro Art Presentation

Senior Manager of Metro Arts and Design Holly Hampton provided the Commission with a Metro Art design project update.

NEW BUSINESS

3. 136 El Camino Drive Developer FAO Proposal

Architect Branka Knezevic from Plana Architects and Owner Representative Marlene Gonzales presented their public art installation proposal at 136 El Camino Drive. The artist collaboration for this development is local contemporary artist Alex Israel and the proposed artwork is 'The Fin'. The artwork explores scales, materiality and color in an oversized inverted surfboard fin. The artwork will be visible from the street and access will be allowed during regular business hours. An art identification plaque will be installed at the main entry per the City's ordinance.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Vahn, SECONDED by Commissioner Beck to approve the art piece by Alex Israel to be installed at 136 El Camino Drive to satisfy the City's Fine Art Obligation associated with this property (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordy Bristol, Beck and Vahn, Vice Chair Filipovic, and Chair Frank

NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

4. National Fitness Campaign's Outdoor Fitness Court Design – Jean-Michel Basquiat Special Edition Licensed Mural Design

Director of NFC Public Art Campaign Gloria Cox and Executive Director of NFC Trent Matthias presented the Fitness Court Public Art Program. The 2022 featured artist for the program is Jean-Michel Basquiat. The Basquiat Fitness Court Collection provides 10 unique limited edition licenses for 10 cities across the country. The Commission is asked to consider this opportunity as a community-based program of recreation and the arts. Discussion included the Commission's request to own the only Jean-Michel Basquiat Fitness Court in California. The program proposal will be presented to the Recreation and Parks Commission for review.

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Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Vahn, SECONDED by Commissioner Gordy Bristol to approve the National Fitness Campaign's Outdoor Fitness Court Design – Jean-Michel Basquiat Special Edition Licensed Mural Design and Present it to Council (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordy Bristol, Beck and Vahn, Vice Chair Filipovic, and Chair Frank

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED

CONTINUED BUSINESS

5. Review of the Arts & Culture Expansion Initiative and Development of New Citywide Arts and Culture Plan

Art Consultants Karen Constine and Jessica Cusick provided the Commission with a review of the Arts & Culture Expansion Initiative which began with a study of expanding the duties of the Fine Art Commission. The presentation provided details on the development of a new Citywide Arts and Culture Plan. The plan elements include: mission statement for arts and culture; defined programs; areas of responsibility; and funding sources. The targeted date of draft completion is 6 to 8 months. The Commission and City Council will review and approve the final plan.

6. Financial Update

Paul Paolone, Acting Interim Arts and Culture Manager, reported on the Fine Art Fund and informed on pending permits and fees. An additional \$6,750 was transferred as of August 2021 for a total of \$6,750 in In-Lieu Fee Revenue in FY 21/22.

PROJECT UPDATES

- Mr. Brainwash Artwork Update
The sculpture *Life is Beautiful* by artist Mr. Brainwash located at 135 N. Rodeo Drive was repainted by Rosa Lowinger & Associates on July 21-22, 2021.
- Sing for Hope Beverly Hills Update
The Sing for Hope Beverly Hills was successfully launched on August 5, 2021. All 16 artist-designed pianos were distributed to their assigned locations throughout the City on August 6, 2021. The pianos are ready for play daily through September 6, 2021 until they are gifted to local public schools. Various musical pop-ups will engage the community throughout the span of the program. More information on Sing for Hope Beverly Hills can be found at singforhope.org/beverlyhills and social media is capturing real-time experiences of the public enjoying the pianos.
- Fine Art Collection Maintenance Program Update
The *Sisyphus* artwork by Alexander Liberman located on the Burton Way Median is one of the top priority artworks to receive maintenance according to a report by art conservator Rosa Lowinger & Associates. The renovation process would require 14 days and the cost is estimated at \$29,800. The Fine Art / Public Art Ad Hoc recommends waiting for the

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Burton Way Median Project be completed as construction can affect the artwork maintenance needs.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair's report
 - a) Mayor's Cabinet Meeting Highlights
 - b) Ad Hoc Committees
 - Fine Art / Public Art (Frank, Vahn – Rogers, Acuna, Paolone, Thau)
 - Music and Community Outreach (Filipovic, Gordy Bristol – Harris, Ovasapyan, Thau)
 - Cultural Events (Frank, Vahn – Rogers, Ovasapyan, Thau)
 - Art Maintenance (Beck, Filipovic - Paolone)
 - c) Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Director's Report
 - Director Jenny Rogers announced that Interim Assistant Director Patty Acuna has been selected as Assistant Director of Community Services.
- Information only items
 - a) Arts and Culture Commission Upcoming Meetings
 - i. Chair Frank announced that the September is rescheduled to a Special Meeting on September 22, 2021 at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: August 10, 2021 / 12:45 pm

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 12th day of October 2021.



Deborah Frank, Chairperson


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