



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, May 09, 2023
10:00am

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Date/Time: Tuesday, May 9, 2023 / 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Deborah Frank led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CIVILITY STATEMENT

Chair Liliana Filipovic read the Civility Statement.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: Karla Gordy Bristol, Deborah Frank, Vice Chair Maralee Beck, Chair Liliana Filipovic

Commissioners absent: Pamela Beck

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 Liliana Filipovic approved the agenda as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of minutes from the Arts and Culture Commission Regular Meeting of April 11, 2023.

MOTION by Frank, SECONDED by Chair Filipovic 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: Pamela Beck
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED:

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

PRESENTATIONS

2. Interim Recreation Services Manager, Paul Paolone, will provide a presentation on MADE Beverly Hills.

Paul Paolone, Interim Recreation Services Manager, updated the Commission on the first MADE in Beverly Hills event that took place on May 5 through May 7, 2023 at various locations throughout Beverly Hills.

- MADE stands for Modern Architecture Design Experience and over twenty events were held Citywide.
- Twenty-two different states were represented in the attendees.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Recreation Supervisor, Corrina Lesser, will provide a presentation on Make Music Day.

Corrina Lesser, Recreation Supervisor, provided a preview to the Commission on the tentative plans for Make Music Day that is scheduled for June 21, 2023.

- Chair Filipovic supported the idea that many performances come from our schools of Beverly Hills.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

4. 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.
- A boom in construction and development in the City is helping the Fine Art Fund.
- An in-lieu cleared in April 2023 from 435 Camden Drive.
- Expenditures were routine maintenance.

b) Fine Art Obligation

- Two pieces are going for inspections: 400 N. Rodeo & 136. El Camino

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

PROJECT UPDATES

1. Arts and Culture Commission Updates

o BH ArtWalks – Guided Tours Summer series

- Paul Paolone, Interim Recreation Services Manager, provided an update on the new summer tours starting in June for four months.

• Manager's Report

o Music in the Mansion and Beverly Hills National Auditions

- The festival was held April 20 – April 23, 2023. Nine different classical and chamber musicians performed in the living room of Greystone Mansion. Next year the 30th Anniversary will be celebrated.
- The National Auditions were held April 15, 2023. Thirty-eight applicants auditioned.

o 100 Years of Independence – The Stars Who Saved Our City screening.

- The Beverly Hills Historical Society's film was screened at a number of events in April. The film can still be viewed on Beverly Hills television or on Vimeo.

o Jewish American Heritage Month

- The Month of May is Jewish American Heritage Month and a number of events are scheduled throughout the City. The first being at the Beverly Hills Farmers' Market on Sunday, May 14, 2023: a Rugelach Baking contest is taking place in addition to a free concert.

o 50th Anniversary Art Show

- Being held the weekend of May 20 – 21, 2023 throughout 4 blocks in Beverly Gardens Park from 10am – 6pm. 235 artists will be featured at this show.

- Concerts on Canon Summer series
 - The series will begin on Thursday, June 1, 2023, which kicks off Pride Night. The concert series will be held in Beverly Canon Gardens from 6pm – 8pm. The Thursday diverse series is scheduled to go through August 2023.
- Beverly Hills Pride
 - The City is partnering with the Music Forward Foundation’s scholarship award winning artists.
- Information only items
 - CS Staffing
 - Stephanie Harris, Director of Community Services, introduced Brandy Scott as the department’s new Arts & Culture Program Associate.
- Event Calendar
 - Reviewed.

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair’s Report
 - a) Mayor’s Cabinet Meeting Highlights
 - Vice Chair Maralee Beck represented the Commission at the Mayor’s May Cabinet meeting and provide a brief update.
 - b) Ad Hoc Committees
 - Fine Arts/Public Art (Frank, P. Beck)
 - 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 suggested a project to the Commission: working with the Recreation and Parks Commission on an Art Specific Park:

MOTION by Gordy Bristol, **SECONDED** by Chair Filipovic to add to an upcoming agenda a discussion about a possible Love Park at one of our Beverly Hills parks involving our art installation projects.

AYES: Commissioners Karla Gordy Bristol, Deborah Frank, Vice Chair Maralee Beck, Chair Liliana Filipovic (4/0)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Pamela Beck

ABSTAIN: None

PASSED:

d) Arts and Culture Commission Upcoming Meetings: Tuesday, June 13, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

- Date / Time: May 9, 2023 / 11:24 a.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 13th day of June 2023


Lilianna Filipovic, 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