

**CITY OF BUENA PARK  
CULTURAL & FINE ARTS COMMISSION  
November 16, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Pitts called the Cultural & Fine Arts Commission to order at 7:00 p.m., City Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Clarke, Hurtado, Mirhosseini, Patterson, Pitts  
Absent: Aceves  
Also Present: Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services  
Imani Tolliver, Community Services Supervisor  
Maya Mackrandilal, Community Services Coordinator

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Kim.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Meeting of October 19, 2016.  
*M/S/P* – Commissioners Hurtado/Mirhosseini - Motion to approve minutes as presented.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
3. **DIRECTOR'S/STAFF REPORT:** Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services announced the Christmas Tree Lighting event on December 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. This event, sponsored by the Fine Arts Division, will include a Winter Follies production. This free event also features a Toy Drive benefiting local charities. All are encouraged to attend.
4. **CITY UPDATES:** Ms. Riley reported on the demolition of the Movieland Wax Museum site. The Butterfly Pavillion will be opening soon. Porto's Restaurant is expected to open in January 2017.
5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**
  - a. **Autumn Nights: Desperado Evaluation** – Maya Mackrandilal, Community Services Coordinator, provided a presentation on the success of Desperado. The box office total was \$1,540.00 with approximately 118 in attendance.
  - b. **2017/18 Civic Theatre – Approval of Production Options** - Community Services Supervisor, Imani Tolliver, announced the list of production options. After discussion, Commissioner Hurtado made a motion to accept the following large productions: Jesus Christ Superstar, Cabaret, Sweeney Todd, Guys & Dolls, and Oklahoma. The motion also included the following small productions: Chicago, You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown, and Smokey Joe's Cafe. Commissioner Kim seconded. All were in favor. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried.
  - c. **2017/18 Cultural Excursions -Approval of Destination Options** - Ms. Tolliver announced the following list of possible excursion options:

- 1) Ahmanson Theatre, Los Angeles
- 2) California Science Center, Los Angeles
- 3) Descanso Gardens, La Canada/Flintridge
- 4) Danish Days, Solvang, CA
- 5) Festival of Arts and Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach
- 6) Getty Center, Los Angeles
- 7) Getty Villa, Malibu
- 8) Griffith Observatory, Los Angeles
- 9) Hollywood Bowl, Los Angeles
- 10) L.A. Opera, Los Angeles
- 11) Mark Taper Forum, Los Angeles
- 12) Redcat Theater, Los Angeles
- 13) Richard Nixon, Presidential Library and Museum, Yorba Linda
- 14) Ronald Reagan, Presidential Library, Simi Valley
- 15) Sawdust Art Festival, Laguna Beach

After discussion, Commissioner Patterson made a motion to accept the options listed. Commissioner Hurtado suggested adding the wineries in Temecula as an option. Commissioner Hurtado amended the motion to add the Temecula Wineries as an excursion. Commissioner Kim seconded. All were in favor. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried.

- d. 2017/18 Exhibiting Artists - Request for Commission Recommendations - Ms. Tolliver announced that recommendations for Exhibiting Artists need to be forwarded to her no later than late January 2017.
- e. 2017/18 Buena Park Youth Theatre - Request for Commission Recommendations - Ms. Tolliver reminded the commission to start thinking of a few shows they would like to see in the coming year. Any recommendations need to be forwarded to her directly.
- f. 2017/18 Jazz Under the Stars - Request for Commission Recommendations - Ms. Tolliver reminded the commission to send any suggestions to her, preferably by January 2017. She also distributed the flyer for Concert Share that is set to take place on January 25, 2017. All are encouraged to attend.
- g. 2016 Cultural & Fine Arts Commission Holiday Reception: Discussion - Ms. Riley announced the Parks & Recreation Commission would like to join the Cultural and Fine Arts Commission for the holiday celebration. After discussion, Commissioner Mirhosseini made a motion to accept the invitation. Commissioner Pitts seconded. All were in favor. A signup sheet will be distributed.
- h. Enterprise Account - Nothing to report.

**6. QUARTERLY PROGRAM UPDATE:** Ms. Tolliver announced the following programs as listed:

- a. List of Quarterly Programs -
  1. Exhibiting Artist - Arts for Wellness on display through November 18, 2016
  2. Buena Park Youth Theatre Production of "25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee", Buena Park High School, November 17-26, 2016
  3. Buena Park Community Chorus, Bells Are Ringing Holiday Concert, Ehlers Event Center, December 11, 2016; free admission with a suggested donation of non-perishable food items

**7. COMMISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

- a. Tree Lighting Event - Ms. Tolliver announced that those that are interested in assisting this event will need to email her directly.

**8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:** Commissioner Clarke announced she attended Desperado; she enjoyed herself. Commissioner Pitts attended Grease & Post Mortem and had a great time, as well. Commissioner Patterson also attended Desperado, Grease and Post Mortem and had a great time.

**9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/ FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Commissioner Mirhosseini requested to add the Cultural and Fine Arts Festival Proposal discussion for the January meeting. Commissioner Hurtado made a motion for the commission to go dark in December. Commissioner Mirhosseini seconded. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried.

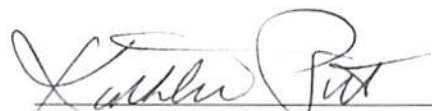
**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 5:00 p.m.
- b. Youth Theatre Production of The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee, November 17, 20 and November 25-27, 2016
- c. Christmas Tree Lighting Event, December 6, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.
- d. Cultural and Fine Arts Holiday Reception: TBD

**11. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Vice Chair Pitts called the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
Mary Coles-Guzman, Recording Secretary

  
Kathleen Pitts, Vice Chair