

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
CULTURAL & FINE ARTS COMMISSION
September 20, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Aceves 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: Aceves, Clarke, Hurtado, Kim, Patterson
Absent: Mirhosseini, Pitts
Also Present: Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services
Imani Tolliver, Community Services Supervisor
Maya Mackrandilal, Community Services Coordinator
Mary Coles-Guzman, Senior Administrative Assistant

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

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Meeting of May 17, 2017
M/S/P – Commissioners Hurtado/Kim - Motion to approve minutes as presented.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Ken McKinney, resident of 8206 California Street, Buena Park was present. He provided a brief introduction of himself as a Commissioner of the Beautification & Environmental Commission. Mr. McKinney expressed interest in a possible future collaboration for both commissions to work together with projects that include beautifying the city.
3. **DIRECTOR'S/STAFF REPORT:** Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services announced the start of Knott's Scary Farm on Friday, September 22, 2017 and will go through Tuesday, October 31, 2017.

Additionally, Ms. Riley announced the current renovation taking place at Ehlers Event Center will have a slight impact on Autumn Nights at The Plaza.

4. **CITY UPDATES:** Ms. Riley provided a brief update on the Edison right-of-way project. The walking pathway starts at Knott Avenue and extends to Valley View Avenue. The project is nearing completion.
5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**
 - a. Election of Officers - The recording secretary opened nominations for Chair of the Cultural & Fine Arts Commission.

Commissioner Clarke nominated Commissioner Patterson as Chair. Commissioner Patterson nominated Commissioner Aceves as Chair. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations were closed.

Roll call was taken in favor of Commissioner Patterson as Chair. The votes were as follows:

AYES: 2 Commissioners: Kim, Clarke
NOES: 3 Commissioners: Hurtado, Aceves, Patterson
ABSENT: 2 Commissioners: Mirhosseini, Pitts
ABSTAIN: 0

Roll call was taken in favor of Commissioner Aceves as Chair. The votes were as follows:

AYES: 3 Commissioners: Hurtado, Aceves, Patterson
NOES: 2 Commissioners: Kim, Clarke
ABSENT: 2 Commissioners: Mirhosseini, Pitts
ABSTAIN: 0

The ayes had it and Commissioner Aceves remains as Chair.

The recording secretary then opened nominations for Vice Chair of the Cultural & Fine Arts Commission.

Commissioner Aceves nominated Commissioner Patterson as Vice Chair. Commissioner Clarke nominated Commissioner Hurtado as Vice Chair. Hearing no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

Roll call was taken in favor of Commissioner Patterson as Vice Chair. The votes were as follows:

AYES: 4 Commissioners: Kim, Clarke, Aceves, Patterson
NOES: 1 Hurtado,
ABSENT: 2 Mirhosseini, Pitts
ABSTAIN: 0

Roll call was taken in favor of Commissioner Hurtado as Vice Chair. The votes were as follows:

AYES: 1 Commissioners: Hurtado
NOES: 4 Commissioners: Kim, Clarke, Aceves, Patterson
ABSENT: 2 Commissioners: Mirhosseini, Pitts
ABSTAIN: 0

The ayes had it and Commissioner Patterson is the new Vice Chair.

- b. Civic Theatre Evaluation (Staff) - Maya Mackrandilal, Community Services Coordinator provided a brief presentation on the success of Jesus Christ, Superstar. A total of eight performances brought in \$7,791.90 in revenue plus an additional \$3,132.00 from GoldStar tickets for a total of \$10,923.90. Candy bar sales brought in \$752.00.

- c. Summer Concert Review

- i. **Staff Evaluation - Ms. Mackrandilal provided a brief presentation on the success of summer concerts. A total of \$1,652.00 were made in candy bar sales. An additional \$773.00 was received from vendor donations.**
- ii. **Opportunity Drawing – Proposed Fee (Kim) - Commissioner Kim proposed a \$1 donation for entrance into Summer Concerts to go towards the local library. Commissioner Hurtado suggested designating one specific day to fund raise. After discussion, Commissioner Kim made a motion to propose having a suggested donation box at the entrance of summer concerts to support the local library. Hearing no second, the motion died.**
- iii. **Parking and Seating Reservations for the Disabled and Veterans (Kim) - Commissioner Kim suggested reserving front row seats for veterans and the disabled at Summer Concerts. After discussion, Commissioner Clarke made a motion not to approve this item. Commissioner Patterson seconded. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried.**
- d. **Deadline for Commissioners to Submit Agenda Items for Discussion - Chair Aceves reminded the commission there is an opportunity on the agenda where items may be added for the next meeting under Item 9 - Commissioner Comments/Future Agenda Items. If the item is not added during that time, the commission will need to email the Chair directly notifying him of the topic they wish to be added.**
- e. **Friends of Buena Park Youth Theatre Show Selection Update : Into the Woods (Staff) - Imani Tolliver, Community Services Supervisor reported that due to a lack of quorum the last three months, staff gave permission to Friends of Buena Park Youth Theatre to proceed with the production of Into the Woods.**
- f. **Seeking Commission Recommendation on Art in Public Places (Staff) - Ms. Riley reported that City Council agreed to impose non-mandatory guidelines in the development entitlement process. Some cities mandate that developers incorporate art in public places into the project when a new development is built. Ms. Riley shared the following ideas that City Council had discussed at the last meeting regarding Art in Public Places: display sculptures or other three-dimensional artwork on the grassy knolls in front of City Hall; designate a City Park as an Art Park where art is strategically placed throughout the park; wrap utility boxes in the public rights of way with artistic designs; or display artwork at popular events such as Silverado Days or Summer Concerts. After discussion, the consensus of the commission was in favor of making it mandatory for developers to include art in public places or pay a fee in lieu of public art. Chair Aceves made a motion to make it mandatory to include art in public places into the project when a new development is built. Commissioner Kim seconded. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried.**

Ms. Riley advised the commission their recommendation will be brought before the City Council at a future date.

- g. Buena Park Youth Theatre: Seussical Staff Evaluation - Ms. Mackrandilal provided a brief presentation on the success of the show. There were a total of eight performances that brought a total of \$5,326.65 in revenue. \$798.90 of which was paid to Buena Park Youth Theatre.
 - h. Enterprise Account (Staff) - Ms. Tolliver reported the beginning balance was \$8,593.02 less expenses of \$465.98 for candy bar supplies. The ending balance was \$8,127.04.
- 6. QUARTERLY PROGRAM UPDATE:** Chair Aceves announced the following programs as listed:
- a. List of Quarterly Programs –
 - i. Exhibiting Artist: Frida Kahlo Group Show, City Council Chamber, September 12 - November 3, 2017
 - ii. Autumn Nights at the Plaza - Dracula, Ehlers Event Center, September 29 & 30, 2017 & October 6 & 7, 2017 8:00 p.m.
 - iii. Autumn Nights at the Plaza, Savor - Santana Tribute Band, October 14, 2017 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 - iv. Excursions: Griffith Observatory, October 21, 2017 3:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
 - v. Exhibiting Artist: Stuart Fingerhut and Marco Pinter, City Council Chamber - November 7, 2017 - January 5, 2018
- 7. COMMISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**
- a. Ushering for Autumn Nights - Chair Aceves opened the discussion for commission volunteers for the following shows:
 - i. Dracula - Commissioners Aceves/Patterson volunteered to work September 29 performance. Commissioner Hurtado volunteered to work October 6 performance. Commissioner Patterson also volunteered to work October 7 performance.
 - ii. Savor - Santana Tribute Band - Commissioners Hurtado/Patterson volunteered to work. Chair Aceves will contact staff on availability.
- Commissioner Kim expressed interest in volunteering to work the Griffith Observatory excursion.
- 8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:** Events attended; Volunteership confirmation - Commissioner Kim attended Summer Concerts as well as the performance of Jesus Christ, Superstar. Commissioner Clarke attended most of the events and had a great time, as well. Commissioner Hurtado attended Summer Concerts & Frida Kahlo exhibit and also had a great time. Commissioner Patterson also attended Summer Concerts and Frida Kahlo exhibit; she enjoyed it very much. Chair Aceves attended Summer Concerts, and Frida Kahlo exhibit as well as the commission recognition event. All were a great success. Chair Aceves also expressed concern and disappointment of not having quorum for the last three months.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/ FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Kim requested to calendar discussion of a potential collaboration with the Muckenthaler Cultural Center.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:


- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Cultural and Fine Arts Commission Meeting: October 18, 2017
- c. Old Tyme Fall Festival - Saturday, September 30, 2017 2:00 p.m., Buena Park Historical Society 6631 Beach Blvd. Buena Park

11. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Aceves adjourned the meeting to the next Cultural and Fine Arts Commission meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



Mary Coles-Guzman, Recording Secretary



Marvin Aceves, Chair