

**CITY OF BUENA PARK  
CULTURAL & FINE ARTS COMMISSION  
July 20, 2016**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Aceves, Clarke, Hurtado, Kim, Mirhosseini, Patterson, Pitts  
Also Present: Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services  
Imani Tolliver, Community Services Supervisor

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

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Meeting of May 18, 2016.  
*M/S/P* – Commissioners Pitts/Kim - Motion to approve minutes as presented.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Council Liaison Virginia Vaughn provided a brief introduction of herself and welcomed the new commissioners.
3. **DIRECTOR'S/STAFF REPORT:** Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services, welcomed the new commissioners. Each commissioner provided a brief introduction of themselves. Commissioner Clarke has lived in Buena Park for 40 years; has worked in various governmental agencies and looks forward to contributing her time with the commission. Commissioner Aceves has lived in Buena Park for a year and a half; was a former Planning Commissioner for another city. Commissioner Hurtado has lived in Buena Park for 31 years; has worked in government for 29 years and looks forward to serving on the commission. Commissioner Pitts has lived in Buena Park for 15 years; has also served in the cities of Long Beach and Santa Ana. Commissioner Kim has resided in Buena Park for 4 years and is currently employed with the Nixon Library. He looks forward to contributing his experience to the city. Commissioner Mirhosseini has lived in Buena Park for 8 years; has worked in the Theatre Arts department for Knott's Berry Farm and is passionate about the experience and opportunity to serve on this commission. Commissioner Patterson has been a Buena Park resident for 50 years, has recently retired and also volunteers for the Buena Park Police Department. She loves the city and looks forward to getting involved. Staff continued with introductions of themselves, as well.

Additionally, Ms. Riley reported that the discussion on the Buena Park Youth Theatre Request for Proposal will be brought forth before Council at study session on July 26, 2016. All are encouraged to attend.

4. **CITY UPDATES:** Ms. Riley announced the city-wide Commissioner Recognition Event that will take place on Friday, August 19, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at The Plaza at the Ehlers Event Center. The recognition event will start with a small reception for the commissioners to enjoy a diner-themed experience. In N Out will have a food truck present as well as the Good Humor ice cream truck will be part of the experience. Each commissioner

will also receive two complimentary tickets to the performance of "Grease" which starts at 8:15 p.m. All are encouraged to attend.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. Beauty & the Beast Evaluation – Imani Tolliver, Community Services Supervisor, reported on the success of the show. An evaluation was distributed for the commissioners to read at their leisure.
- b. Summer Concerts Evaluation – Ms. Tolliver reported on the success of the Summer Concert Series. An evaluation was distributed for the commissioners to read at their leisure.
- c. Commissioner Guide Overview - Ms. Tolliver provided a brief overview of the commissioner guide notebook that was distributed to the commissioners. All were encouraged to familiarize themselves with the contents of the notebook provided and ask questions of staff, if needed.
- d. Enterprise Account - Ms. Tolliver reported on the Enterprise Fund. The beginning and ending balance remained the same at \$4,033.34. There were no other transactions recorded for the month.

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

- a. List of Quarterly Programs -
  1. Exhibiting Artist - Endless Summer, July 6 - August 26, 2016
  2. Civic Theatre Under the Stars, Grease, August 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 & 27, 2016
  3. Exhibiting Artist - Marius Manea, August 30 - October 7, 2016
  4. Autumn Nights at The Plaza, Postmortem, A Murder Mystery, Sept. 16, 17, 23 & 24, 2016
  5. Excursion: Solvang Danish Days, Saturday, September 17, 2016 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
  6. Excursion: Griffith Observatory, Saturday, October 8, 2016 3:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
  7. Autumn Nights at The Plaza, Desperado, October 22, 2016 7:00 p.m.

**7. COMMISSION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

- a. Civic Theatre, "Grease" - Commissioners Hurtado, Clarke, Patterson, & Mirhosseini volunteered to assist. Commissioner Hurtado will assist the August 12, 2016 performance. The remaining commissioners will email Ms. Tolliver directly with their specific dates of availability.
- b. Autumn Nights, Post Mortem - Commissioners Hurtado, Patterson, Mirhosseini, and Pitts volunteered to assist. Commissioner Hurtado will assist on September 16 & 23, 2016 performance dates. The remaining commissioners will email Ms. Tolliver directly with their specific dates of availability.

- c. Autumn Nights, Desperado - Commissioner Patterson volunteered to assist. Specific dates of availability will be emailed to Ms. Tolliver.

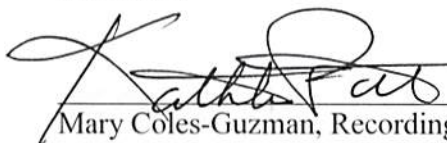
Commissioner Hurtado volunteered for the Solvang excursion. Commissioner Kim also volunteered to be the host if a second bus is needed. Commissioner Patterson will be the back-up should there be a change.

Commissioner Pitts volunteered for the Griffith Observatory excursion.

Commissioner Aceves will email Ms. Tolliver his availability and programs he's interested in volunteering.

8. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS:** Commissioner Hurtado reported on attending Summer Concerts. The turnout was phenomenal and the food trucks were a great addition.
9. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/ FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Commissioner Kim requested to add to the agenda a proposal on a revised Exhibiting Artist program.
10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
  - a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 5:00 p.m.
  - b. Next Cultural & Fine Arts Commission Meeting: Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
11. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Chair Pitts called the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Mary Coles-Guzman, Recording Secretary

  
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Kathleen Pitts, Chair