

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
ARTS COMMISSION  
6:30 p.m.  
Thursday, May 14, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Choppé called to order the regular meeting of the Arts Commission at 6:35p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

All Commissioners were present, with the exception of Commissioner Millar, who arrived late at 7:01 p.m.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Dow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Rasmussen, second by Dow, to approve the agenda.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Rasmussen, second by Dow, to approve the minutes of April 9, 2015.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 1**

**SANTA CLARITA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AT COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Overview of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the College of the Canyons regarding the Performing Arts Center.

There were 18 Public Participation speakers on this agenda item. The concerns were that the local arts groups will potentially lose control of their ticket sales, will no longer be involved to ensure a personal touch to ticket buyers, and that more time and more information is needed.

**Motion by Shapiro, second by Millar, to recommend the City Council extend the current Performing Art Center Memorandum of Understanding in concurrence with College of the Canyons for up to six months, to allow the community user groups, the City staff, and College of the Canyons to fully understand all parameters of the Memorandum of Understanding and bring it back at the earliest possible date.**

## **ARTS COMMISSION COMMENTS AND UPDATES**

Commissioner Millar attended the Master Chorale and the ARTree's speaker series. He reminded everyone that Vaud and the Villains will be performing at SENSES next week.

Commissioner Rasmussen stated that Old Town Newhall Association (OTNA) appreciated the chalk art last week. She thanked Administrator Lantis for Diamond's star on the walk of fame.

Commissioner Dow enjoyed attending the Amgen Tour of California race and thinks it is a tremendous event.

Commissioner Shapiro thanked staff for all of their work on the Cowboy Festival. She heard many positive comments about the new location. She thanked OTNA for the chalk art event, and also thanked the ARTree for another great speaker series.

Chair Choppé attended the Carousel Ranch grand opening, and also the Man and Woman of the Year event.

## **ARTS MASTER PLAN STATUS REPORT**

**Commission received and commented.**

## **STAFF COMMENTS**

Administrator Lantis shared the following updates:

- There will be a soft opening of the Portraits of the Fallen Memorial this Saturday, May 16. The reception for this exhibit will be on Saturday, June 6, at 5:00 p.m., at the space.
- The time trial for the Amgen Tour of California will be tomorrow, Friday, May 15.

## **ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

Update on the [www.santaclaritaarts.com](http://www.santaclaritaarts.com) website.

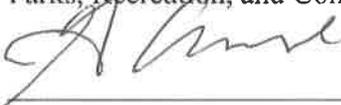
## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Choppé adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next regular meeting of the Arts Commission will be held on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, first floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA, 91355.

  
Richard E. Gould, Director  
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services

  
Gary Choppé, Chair  
Arts Commission

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