

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
ARTS COMMISSION
6:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 12, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Strickland called to order the regular meeting of the Arts Commission at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Commissioners were present.

FLAG SALUTE

Vice Chair Schmidt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Schmidt, second by Millar, to approve the minutes of December 8, 2011.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Dow, second by Millar, to approve the agenda.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

ARTS SPOTLIGHT

Mikee Schwinn, from the Repertory East Playhouse provided an overview of their organization.

ARTS RECOGNITIONS

Staff from Westfield Valencia Town Center was recognized for their contribution to the Arts.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Dow had no comments.

Commissioner Millar enjoyed the great tour of public art with the Arts Commissioners, and attended the conclusion of the Highwire Act exhibit, which was outstanding.

Chair Strickland attended the Artists Association Gallery, and attended the Christmas Carol play at Canyon Theatre Guild.

Vice-Chair Schmidt had no comment.

Commissioner Shapiro attended the Art on Canvas event and was impressed at how many people submitted art, it was a wonderful event.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

ITEM 1

2011-2012 ARTS GRANTS

Phil Lantis, Arts & Events Administrator, presented the 2011-2012 Arts Grants agenda item.

Motion by Millar, second by Schmidt, to approve recommendations to the City Council for the City of Santa Clarita Presents and the Community Arts grant programs.

Motion carried unanimously.

Art Moore spoke during Public Participation.

ITEM 2

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

Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services, provided an overview of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the College of the Canyons regarding the Performing Arts Center.

Motion by Millar, second by Dow, to approve recommendation of the MOU to the City Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS – NEWHALL ROUNDABOUT FUNDRAISING OPTIONS

Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services, provided an update on the status of the Redevelopment Agency, which has placed the Newhall Roundabout project on hold.

Commission received and commented.

ARTS COMMISSION INITIATIVES UPDATES

Commissioner Dow provided an update to the 661Arts website.

Commissioner Millar continues his efforts on the Leadership and Development initiative.

Commissioner Shapiro had no updates.

Vice-Chair Schmidt is going to present to more people on the Arts Venues Blueprint.

Chair Strickland continues his community meetings.

QUARTERLY PUBLIC ART PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Commission received and commented.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

There were no items suggested.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ingrid Hardy, Community Services Superintendent, informed the Commission that the Study Session needs to be rescheduled.

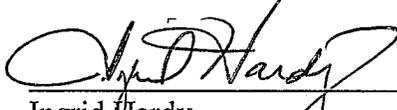
There will be a Joint Budget Study Session on February 7, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., in the Century Room, at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

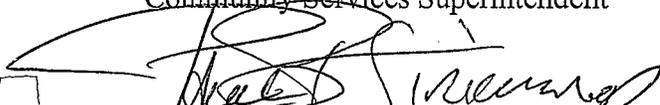
Chair Strickland adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Arts Commission will be held on February 9, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, first floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA.



Ingrid Hardy
Community Services Superintendent



Paul Strickland, Chair
Arts Commission

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