CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
ARTS COMMISSION
6:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 14, 2012

CALL TO ORDER
Chair Strickland called to order the regular meeting of the Arts Commission at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL
All Commissioners were present.

FLAG SALUTE
Vice-Chair Schmidt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion by Millar, second by Dow, to approve the minutes of May 10, 2012.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion by Millar, second by Dow, to approve the agenda.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

ARTS SPOTLIGHT
Moki Duncan from the E.S.C.A.P.E. Theatre gave a presentation of their organization.

ARTS RECOGNITIONS
Adam Philipson was recognized for organizing, planning, and implementing the Rock the Rhythm, Beat the Odds event at College of the Canyons and for his contribution to the arts.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENTS
Commissioner Shapiro attended the Art Walk and really enjoyed it. She is also excited about hearing how the new library in Newhall is coming along and looks forward to a tour.

Vice-Chair Schmidt attended the arts reception at Town Center on May 16. He suggested that signage be displayed in the future.

Commissioner Dow attended Art Walk and thought it was fantastic. He also attended Rock the Rhythm and said it was exceptional. He also enjoyed a youth choral performance at the Boys and Girls Club auction.

Commissioner Millar attended several events including the Town Center Cal Arts space, the Master Chorale performance, Peter Pan at Santa Clarita Ballet Company, Art Walk, Boys Night Out at Bob Kellar's house for the Domestic Violence Center, and the amazing Rock the Rhythm event.

Chair Strickland attended the Cal Arts Animation Space 135 event. He also attended every high school graduation and was especially impressed with the singing talent from a group of students at Valencia High School.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Adam Philipson provided an overview of the upcoming season at the College of the Canyons Performing Arts Center.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 1
ARTS WEBSITE
Phil Lantis, Arts and Events Administrator, provided an update on the design of the Arts Website, referred to in the Arts Blueprint Phase I report as 661Arts.com. The Commission recommended www.santaclaritaarts.com for the website.

ITEM 2
CITY HALL BIKE RACKS ART PROJECT
Jeff Barber, Arts and Events Supervisor, provided an overview of an art project to create two artistic bike racks to be located in front of City Hall, in partnership with the Environmental Services Division of the City of Santa Clarita.

Motion by Shapiro, second by Dow, to approve the Call for Artists (Request for Proposals).

Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 3
LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION J.A.M. SESSIONS
Phil Lantis provided an overview of a partnership with the Los Angeles County Arts Commission to implement Jazz And Motivated (J.A.M.) sessions this summer for eight weeks. J.A.M. sessions are interactive performing arts workshops and they will be implemented in conjunction with the City's signature Thursdays @ Newhall events in Old Town Newhall.

ARTS COMMISSION INITIATIVES UPDATES
Commissioner Dow stated that he and Commissioner Shapiro will be working on the Arts and Entertainment initiative in Newhall.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION
There were no items suggested.

STAFF COMMENTS
Phil Lantis informed the Commission that the Americans for the Arts report was released last Friday, June 8, 2012. It will be coming to the Arts Commission next month as an agenda item.

He also noted that there will be no Study Session this month.

Ingrid Hardy, Community Services Superintendent, reminded Commissioners that terms expire on July 31, 2012. City Council will likely make their appointments at the second Council meeting in June. Then, the Arts Commission reorganization will occur at the September meeting.

ADJOURNMENT
Chair Strickland adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING
The next regular meeting of the Arts Commission will be held on July 12, 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

VICE CHAIR

Paul Strickland, Chair
Arts Commission

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