

CIVIC CULTURAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2009

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Vice Chairperson Cortez, Commissioners Beard, Fischer (arrived 7:04pm), Jackson, and Simoulin

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Chairperson Dale, Commissioner Newblanc

GUESTS PRESENT: Large Grant Presenters representing 15 non-profit organizations, Duke Collins

STAFF PRESENT: Superintendent Chris Beth, Administrative Assistant Denise Monroe

The regular meeting of the Civic Cultural Commission was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice Chairperson Steve Cortez in Room 1 of the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, California.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May 7, 2009 meeting were approved as mailed.

CORRESPONDENCE

-Newsletters and flyers were received from various organizations.

Oral Communications

None

ITEM 1 – LARGE GRANT REQUESTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

Hometown Holidays

Keith Kadera spoke regarding their grant request of \$6,000 to support the 2009 Hometown Holidays event.

Redwood City International

Andy Frisch spoke regarding their grant request of \$2,500 to support their 2009 Fiestas de Patrias event.

Roosevelt Elementary School PTA

No one from this organization was in attendance.

Peninsula Symphony

Amy O'Callaghan spoke regarding their grant request of \$10,000 to support two performances in downtown Redwood City.

San Mateo County Community Colleges Foundation

Julie Mooney spoke regarding their grant request of \$5,000 to support the 2009 Arts and Olive Festival.

Kainos Home and Training Center

Andy Frisch spoke regarding their grant request of \$2,500 to support a client-directed video production series.

Redwood City Kiwanis Club

John Ngai spoke regarding their grant request of \$3,500 to support the weekly musical performances from April-November at the Farmers Market.

Redwood City Police Activities League

Jim Gordon spoke regarding their grant request of \$3,000 to support the 2009 Blues Festival in Courthouse Square.

Miss Redwood City Scholarship Organization

Chris Cheshire spoke regarding their \$1,500 grant request to support the Miss Redwood City-Miss San Mateo County Scholarship event in 2010.

Historic Resources Advisory Committee

Dee Eva spoke regarding their public art grant request of \$20,000 to support a "Path of History" project for downtown Redwood City.

Northern California Bluegrass Society

Michael Hall spoke regarding their grant request of \$5,000 to support the 2010 Bluegrass on Broadway Festival.

Redwood City Education Foundation

Donna Williams spoke regarding their grant request of \$11,000 to support the Music for Learning Program for the 2009-2010 School Year.

Redwood City Community Theater

Leslie Hoelper spoke regarding their grant request of \$6,000 to support a musical production at Carrington Hall.

Ballet America

Dobbie Casada spoke regarding their grant request of \$4,000 to support four performances of "The Nutcracker" at the Fox Theater.

North Star Academy

Neva Hutchinson spoke regarding their grant request of \$6,000 to support a drama production at McKinley School.

ITEM 2 – SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following items were taken out of order:

-Public Art

Duke Collins gave an update of the mural project the Commission funded in FY07-08. Commissioner Fischer reported that she and commissioner Newblanc will be meeting Councilmember Pierce to discuss installing mosaics on the planters on Theater Way.

-Budget

Superintendent Beth reported on a potential \$3 million cut to the City's budget if the State takes money from our property taxes, and how this could impact our budget.

-Communication/Calendar/Website

Commissioner Fischer developed a "how to" sheet for grant applicants to submit their activities to Artsopolis. This document will be provided to all grant applicants to help advertise their events.

-Community Outreach

Nothing to report.

-Cultural Commission Sponsored Events

Former Cultural Commissioner Allen Mueller is helping get the Council members signed up to MC our concerts. Once the list is finalized, it will be emailed out to all Commissioners.

ITEM 3 – FINALIZED DATE OF JULY COMMISSION MEETING

The Commissioners decided to move their July 2 meeting to Thursday, June 26 due to the 4th of July holiday.

ITEM 4 – CULTURAL COMMISSION COMMUNITY BRAINSTORMING

Superintendent Beth stated he will be meeting with the San Francisco Shakespeare Company about doing performances in Redwood City.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superintendent Beth reported on the successful 2009 Pet Parade in Courthouse Square. Vice Chairperson Cortez mentioned that the Port Commissioners were invited to MC the concerts at Stafford Park.

Items for Next Agenda – Large Grant Decisions for Fiscal Year 09-10

The regular meeting of the Civic Cultural Commission was adjourned at 9:12pm to be reconvened at 7:00pm on Thursday, June 26, 2009 to be held at the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, California.