

The monthly meeting of the Arts Commission was held on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 in Community Room A located in City Hall on the 1st floor.

Commissioner La Rose called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Flag Salute

Roll Call

Present

Commissioner Teka-Lark Fleming, District 1
Commissioner Anne La Rose, District 2
Commissioner David Aguilar, District 3
Commissioner Vicki Perryman-Banks, District 4
Sabrina Barnes, Parks, Recreation and Library Services Director
Sandra Green-Hilliard, Senior Administrative Secretary

Absent

Commissioner Mari Morales, At Large

Public Comments

None

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Perryman-Banks made a motion to approve the minutes from April 4, 2012 and April 18, 2012. The minutes were approved as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Fleming, La Rose, Aguilar, Perryman-Banks

Nays: None

Old Business

Sabrina Barnes gave an oral report on the maintenance and conservation of Jazz Woman stating the Mayor and Council approved the maintenance fee not to exceed \$2,000. She also explained that the fee may need to be revised if the recommended vendor can not provide the city with proper documentation. Commissioner La Rose asked if it would be possible for the city to have a plan drawn up and install it for us. Ms. Barnes stated that it may be possible but could not speak firmly on it.

Ms. Barnes stated the Mayor and Council adopted the resolution amending the 2011-2012 budget for the Percent for the Arts Program. Commissioner La Rose asked if there was some repair money available. Ms. Barnes stated she would come back with the exact expenditures and balance information for the next meeting.

Ms. Barnes gave an update that the graffiti coating on all the existing murals was completed in May. She also stated that she had little success finding bronze like plaques for the murals and asked the Commissioners and Mr. Massenburg to advise her if they know of a place where she can find them.

Ms. Barnes gave an update on Inglewood Genesis stating although the Morningside Library is not open with regular programming, there are programs that are conducted periodically which makes the site unavailable as a location for restoration of the glass mural. Commissioner La Rose stated she has not heard back from the Beacon Arts Building but suggested the vacant building as a possible location on the corner Market and Queen Streets. Ms. Barnes stated she would see if that is an option that would be available. Commissioner La Rose stated that she was able to make contact with the Beverly Hills Arts Commission's liaison that has already been very generous with her knowledge and time and has offered to help our Commission in any way she can. Commissioner La Rose also stated Beverly Hills goes to LACMA (Los Angeles County Museum of Art) for their installations; maybe we can also go to LACMA and see if one of their staff persons is willing to assist us. Commissioner Perryman-Banks asked if the library on 111th Street and Crenshaw Boulevard has been considered as a location. Ms. Barnes stated we are looking for a restoration site, are you referring to a site for installation. Commissioner Perryman-Banks stated yes. Ms. Barnes stated there was conversation on installing the piece at its originally intended site and we wanted to stay true to that. Commissioner La Rose stated that the location is the 2nd floor reference area of the Main Library.

New Business

Sabrina Barnes shared the staff report regarding the Public Arts Coordinator stating it has been received, filed and released to the public with the deadline of July 11, 2012.

Public Comments

Rochelle Williams asked what the expectant start date for the Public Arts position. Ms. Barnes stated depending on the amount of proposals we receive, then interviews plus a three week lead time to have it put on the Council Agenda I'm

hoping it'll be about 45 days until we can give a notice to proceed. Michael Massenburg asked Ms. Barnes if she was familiar with LA Culture Net. Ms. Barnes stated yes, in fact the Purchasing Department posted this information to their site.

Cheryl Moore stated she was present to become more familiar with the Commissioners as she and other board members of ICA (Inglewood Cultural Arts) will be making presentations to the Commission soon.

Commissioners' Comments

Commissioner Fleming had a question about the parking at Morningside Library and wondered how it worked. Sabrina Barnes stated the city has shared/utilized the church parking lot. Commissioner Fleming stated she was told that if we were going to hold an event at the library she would need to provide insurance and wanted to know how to go about it. Ms. Barnes asked Commissioner Fleming when she said we, was she referring to the city to which she stated yes. Ms. Barnes explained when it is a city sponsored event we typically know in advance so that our Risk Manager has enough time to make sure we have the adequate and appropriate insurance for the event. Commissioner Fleming asked if the ICA (Inglewood Cultural Arts) or the general public was interested in having an art show in that space what are the requirements for obtaining that venue and can any agency team up with the city to hold an event. Ms. Barnes stated teaming up with the City is not just me as Parks and Rec saying let's have an event. I can use the Open Studio Tours as an example, we sponsor that event by providing transportation but that has to go through a Council action requiring their approval. If it is an Arts Commission event then it is a city event. I will resend you the guidelines and procedures of the program. Commissioner Perryman-Banks asked if these ideas would have to be brought to the Library Commission. Ms Barnes stated the Library is now under our department and as we speak their board meeting is going on as well so it will definitely be an easier partnership then it may have been In the past.

Commissioner Aguilar stated he was thankful to be back from his brief hiatus.

Commissioner Perryman-Banks stated she was also thankful to be back and glad to hear about the murals receiving a graffiti coating. She stated she was also pleased to hear that all of our public art will soon be identified.

Commissioner La Rose stated she is pleased to have gotten to the point where we are, it's been a long road and is thrilled to sit on a board with such fine Commissioners. She shared with the Commission that the Free Summer Lunch

program began distributing flyers to the Commissioners stating that she is hoping to tie in some type of an art component to it. She thanked the Commissioners for their dedication, interest and knowledge.

Michael Massenburg stated he knew he was out of order but wanted to share with the Commission the passing of Willie Middlebrook and the celebration of life event by distributing flyers with the information to the Commissioners.

With no further comments the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.