

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION
MINUTES
October 23, 2003**

CALL TO ORDER: The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission (ACAC) meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chair, Richard Kaléh at 5:05 PM.

A. Roll Call

Present: Richard Kaléh, Vice-Vice-Chair
Jon Bailey
Andrew Campbell
Beverly Denenberg
Lyn DeShields
Michael J. Haibach
Ken Sherman

Liaison: Alison Maxwell
Recording Secretary: Prentis Bonds

Alison Maxwell administered the oath of office to newly appointed Arts and Cultural Affairs Commissioners Andrew Campbell and Beverly Deneberg.

Following the oath of office, Commissioners introduced themselves.

B. Posting of the Agenda

The agenda was posted per proper noticing procedures at City Hall, West Hollywood Park Auditorium, Plummer Park, West Hollywood Library, and West Hollywood Sheriff's Station.

C. Staff Comments on the Agenda: There were no staff comments on the agenda.

I. APPROVAL OF JUNE 26, 2003

Commissioner Bailey moved to approve the minutes of September 25, 2003. Commissioner Sherman seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

II. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no items from the public.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Arts Grants 2003

Staff reported that approximately two-hundred Arts Grants and Art Awareness brochures had been mailed to arts organizations in West Hollywood and Los Angeles County. Eligible arts organizations, serving the West Hollywood Community can receive up to \$7,500.00 for the production and public presentation of one or more disciplines of the arts. Arts organizations whose aim is to develop arts education projects can receive up to \$1,000.00 available through the Arts Awareness Grant. The submission deadline is 5:00 p.m., November 13, 2003.

Staff suggested that the committee meet Thursday, December 4, 2003 from 3:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m. to interview grant applicants. Additionally, two new Commissioners were needed on the subcommittee to replace recently retired members.

Commissioners Campbell and Deneberg expressed interest and were appointed to serve on the Arts Grant Committee along with Commissioner Sherman. The Commission further approved inviting two members from the arts community to join the interview panel. Staff was directed to approach appropriate individuals.

Staff will mail written confirmation of the meeting to the committee along with copies of applications received.

B. Urban Arts Subcommittee

Commissioner Kaléh reported on the October 16 meeting of the Urban Arts Subcommittee. At the meeting, the subcommittee approved the final Art Plan 1146 Hacienda. Final renderings of the design concept and examples of the ceramic tiles were presented to the Commission. Commissioner Kaléh recommended that the Commission ratify the decision of the Urban Arts Subcommittee.

Commissioner Jon Bailey moved to ratify the decision of the Subcommittee to approve the Art Plan for 1146 Hacienda. Commission Haibach seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. 20th Anniversary Committee

Staff reported that City Council had directed the Human Services Department staff to form a committee to oversee the planning of arts and cultural events for the City's 20th Anniversary celebration. Staff recommended that the Commission nominate one Commissioner to participate on the Committee.

After a lengthy discussion concerning representation of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commissioners on the 20th Anniversary Committee, Commissioners Haibach, Campbell and Bailey expressed interest in

serving on the Committee. The Vice-Vice-Chair appointed Commissioner Haibach to the Committee. Staff was directed to discuss with the appropriate department head the option of having three ACAC members participate in the 20th Anniversary committee.

D. Report from Liaisons

The Vice-Chair reported that the Havenhurst Ad Hoc Committee unanimously selected art consultant, Beatrix Barker who will work in collaboration with landscape architect Katherine Spitz on the development.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

V. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff reported on a meeting with Mr. S. Gregory Ganci who spoke during public comment at the September 25, 2003 ACAC meeting. Mr. Ganci would like to make a donation to the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission in honor of Matthew Shepard. She suggested to Mr. Ganci that he develop a formal art proposal and submit it for review.

Staff informed the Commission that the Set/Seat art piece by Roy McMakin would be de-installed in November.

VI. VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT

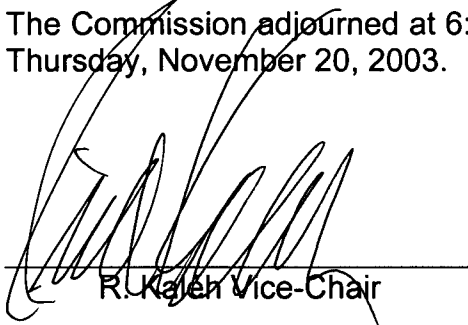
There were no additional items from the Vice-Chair.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

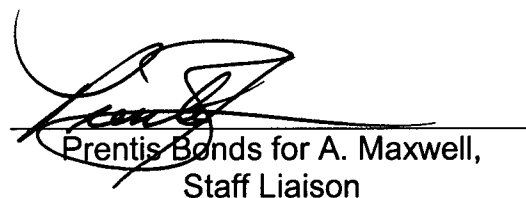
Several Commissioners commented on the scope of responsibilities of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission. They requested that staff invite the Parks and Recreation Manager to a future meeting to help them gain an understanding of the programs that now fall within the Commission's purview, such as CSW, Summer Sounds, Halloween and Gay Pride. In the meantime, Commissioners encouraged each other to speak with their respective council members concerning arts and cultural affairs visioning and to communicate their findings back to the Commission.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned at 6:50 p.m. to its next meeting, scheduled for Thursday, November 20, 2003.



R. Kelen Vice-Chair



Prentis Bonds for A. Maxwell,
Staff Liaison