



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Cultural Commission

02/04/2019

7:30 PM

Santa Clara Senior Center
1303 Fremont Street
Santa Clara, CA 95050

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair von Huene called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

Present 6 - Commissioner Loretta Beavers, Commissioner Louis Samara, Commissioner Harbir Bhatia, Commissioner Niha Mathur, Commissioner Debra von Huene, and Commissioner Candida Diaz

Absent 1 - Commissioner Jonathan Marinaro

A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, to excuse Commissioner Marinaro from the meeting.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, Commissioner von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [19-136](#) Cultural Commission Minutes of January 7, 2019

A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, to approve the Cultural Commission January 7, 2019 minutes as amended.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, Commissioner von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Sang S. Ahn, President of the Silicon Valley Korean American Federation, made a public presentation on Icheon, South Korea and the Federation's request to create a Friendship City agreement with Icheon, South Korea and the City of Santa Clara.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [19-137](#) Action on Cultural Arts Organization's Grant Applications for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20

A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, to recommend cultural grant funding in the amounts of \$5,000 to Santa Clara Ballet, \$6,000 to Santa Clara Players, \$5,000 to Santa Clara Chorale, \$2,000 to Art Forum and leave \$2,800 unallocated until the April 2019 meeting.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, Commissioner von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Bhatia, to defer a cultural grant recommendation for the Santa Clara Parade of Champions (SCPOC) until after the SCPOC feasibility study is presented to City Council.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, Commissioner von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

3. [19-138](#) Action on Commissioner Participation in Leadership Santa Clara 2019

Denied

4. [19-139](#) Action on Recommendation to Set the Number and Start Time of Regular Cultural Commission Meetings

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Beavers, to approve a resolution to set the number and start time of regular Cultural Commission meetings.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, Commissioner von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro

5. [19-140](#) Updates and Discussion of Cultural Commission Work Plan for FY2018-19

The Commission reviewed and modified their 2018-19 work plan and strategic goals.

STAFF REPORT

None.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Beavers reported attending Librarypalooza and the Further Confusion convention.

Commissioner Bhatia reported attending Librarypalooza and was a panelist on the "Women & Spirituality: An Interfaith Dialogue" hosted by the Alameda All Faiths Coalition. Additionally, she reported attending a memorial services for Robinder "Robin" Singh.

Commissioner Mathur reported that Cinequest begins in March. Additionally, she reported that her husband's film *Lucky Fifty* will be shown as part of Cinequest.

Vice Chair Samara reported attending a volleyball tournament.

Chair von Huene reported attending Community Outreach Meeting #2 for the City of Santa Clara Bike & Pedestrian Master Plan. She also reported listening to the City Council goal setting meetings and attending Librarypalooza.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 p.m. with the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019.

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Beavers, to adjourn the meeting.

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner Mathur, Commissioner von Huene, and Commissioner Diaz

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Marinaro