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CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION Minutes

April 8, 2008 Manhattan Beach City Hall Council Chambers 6:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Cultural Arts Commission (CAC) was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Shelby Phillips, Chairman

Candy Duncan, Vice Chair Susan Sweeney, Commissioner

Juanita Purner, Cultural Arts Manager

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the Minutes of the February 12, 2008 and the March 11, 2008 CAC Meetings were approved as submitted.

IV. <u>AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION</u>

There being none Chairman Phillips began the General Business discussions.

V. GENERAL BUSINESS

02/0612.5 Sculpture Garden Proposal

After some discussion it was decided that the CAC will design an 18-month program to recommend to Council that consists of two Exhibitions for the initial proposal. The Commission is hopeful that Exhibit A will be Tom Otterness and Exhibit B will be a selection of the Urban Trees. An alternate artist will also be presented. The CAC choose ten (10) Urban Trees this evening that they would like to pursue. More information needs to come from Tom Otterness and a third alternative artist still needs to be selected before the final proposal can go before Council.

VI. REPORTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Children's Theater Proposal

On a motion duly made, seconded and passed, the CAC approved sending a recommendation, as the part of the overall theater program proposal, to Council for a \$20,000 expense from the Public Art Trust for buying stage decking and pipe & drape for the Joslyn Center. These materials would be used to provide a stage environment to all who currently use the facility. These 20 light-weight platforms allow for a variety of set-up options, as well as an 8-foot stage extension that could set-up at all times. The pipe and drape will allow the facility to create intimate environments or partition off the room as needed. The CAC feels that this investment in the community is a small price to pay for the benefit of so many, especially since Joslyn is the only stage in town and probably will be for many years to come.

The Series Proposal was tabled until next meeting.

A report on the Public Art Fund was requested for next meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 13, 2008 with reception following