

**TRACY ARTS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
September 10, 2013**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair McClain called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

- a. Present: Anne Marie Fuller; Marlene Jones; Tricia Hand; Nicole McClain; Grace Paget; Mercedes Silveira; Taranjit Sandhu;
- b. Absent:
- c. Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Manager – Visual Arts
- d. Recorded By: Stacey Merjil, Administrative Assistant II

3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM August 13, 2013**

- a. Motion: Commissioner Silveira
- b. Second: Commissioner Paget
- c. Abstain:
- d. Vote: Approved

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. APPOINT AN ARTS COMMISSIONER TO THE SENIOR STEERING COMMITTEE:**

Staff requested an appointment of an Arts Commissioner to the Senior Steering Committee. Kim Scarlata explained to the Commission that on August 20, 2013, the City Council listened to options regarding the formation of a Senior Advisory Commission. City Council directed staff to form a Senior Steering Committee. The Steering Committee volunteers do not have to be of senior age. The Senior Steering Committee will work together with a facilitator in a community conversation setting. The Committee will work to identify and discuss current and future service needs for seniors in the Tracy Community.

There will be two Community Conversation meetings held. The facilitator will lead the discussion during the timed meetings. The facilitator will compile results from the two Community Conversations and work with staff, and members of the Steering Committee to prepare a report and presentation to the Parks and Community Services Commission and City Council at a joint meeting. Commissioner Silveira volunteered to be on the committee and Commissioner Jones will be the alternate.

7. **OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. CONTINUE DISCUSSION ON THE 2013/2014 MULTI-CULTURAL FESTIVAL:**

Chair McClain asked the Commissioners who had homework assignments to present their reports.

Commissioner Fuller contacted the Portuguese Society who is supportive of participation in the components of Queens and food. At this time the Commission will work with the current President.

Commissioner Paget contacted Larry Gamino from the West Side Pioneers/Tracy Historical Museum. Mr. Gamino supports participation in an effort to educate and celebrate the agricultural history and Non-European cultures in the form of a presentation and display. He voiced the organization's intent to expand the museum's footprint and would like the Tracy Arts Commission's support in future efforts.

Commissioner Jones contacted Celeste Garamendi from the Italian Heritage Community. Although no commitment was offered, Ms. Garamendi is interested in being kept informed as the event develops.

Commissioner Silveira will pursue dialogue with Tracy Unified School District art teachers to explore the potential collaboration to create an interactive children's art component to the festival.

Chair McClain contacted the Mountain House Asian American Association and the Spring Valley Chinese Christian Church. No commitments have been offered at this time.

The event was envisioned in the month of October and the Commission would like to move the event to the end of the Summer Concert Series in late July or early August.

Commissioners agreed that Lincoln Park remains the preferred venue, however the efforts to present a professional headline act should be a goal for year two of the festival instead of year one.

Commissioners are to provide any additional updates to William Wilson by September 27, 2013 in preparation for the Special Event Subcommittee review.

The Special Event Subcommittee will meet on October 8, 2013, at 6:00pm to discuss the recommended framework of the event in its initial offering and report back to the TAC in November.

8. **ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:** The Commission engaged in a brief discussion of activities attended by the Commissioners since the last meeting.

9. **ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

- a. **CAM Wilson:** Informed the Commission he has been in contact with Trevor Smith, VP of Development for Legacy Homes. Legacy Homes is building the first upscale/luxury apartment complex in Tracy, located near West Valley Mall. Similar to complexes found in Bay Area, the project will be rich in amenities such as a fitness center and community garden. Council has given Legacy Homes direction to include design and/or art components that speak to our community at the streetscape, and encouraged them to work with the Civic Art Program as a resource and community partner. It is anticipated that Legacy Homes will conduct a private Request For Proposals then seek the input from the Civic Art Subcommittee and the Tracy Arts Commission.

**10. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

**11. ADJOURN:**

- a. Motion: Commissioner Fuller
- b. Second: Commissioner Sandhu
- c. Vote: Unanimous
- d. Time: 7:44 p.m.