

ITEM 10.A.

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND ARTS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK

Moorpark, California

April 29, 2009

A Special Joint Meeting of the City Council and Moorpark Arts Commission of the City of Moorpark was held on April 29, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. at the Moorpark Community Center located at 799 Moorpark Avenue, Moorpark, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Parvin called the joint meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Arts Commissioner, Mary Schwabauer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL:

City Council: Councilmembers Mikos, Millhouse, Van Dam, and Mayor Parvin.

Arts Commission: Commissioners Puckett, Schwabauer, and Chair Amador.

Absent: Commissioners Hamous and Molloy

Staff Present: Steven Kueny, City Manager; Hugh Riley, Assistant City Manager; Deborah Traffenstedt, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk; and Maureen Benson, Assistant City Clerk.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

5. PRESENTATION/ACTION/DISCUSSION:

- A. Consider Status Report on Mission Statement, Priorities, Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Year 2008/2009 and Direction for Fiscal Year 2009/2010. Staff Recommendation: Direct staff as deemed appropriate.

Mayor Parvin opened the item for discussion.

There were no speakers.

The Commission discussed: 1) Including public art in the budget for city projects; 2) Adding more arts related goals to the objectives; 3) Considering opportunities to include art in the High Street streetscape plans; 4) Enlarging the definition of the arts to include architecture and sculpture; 5) Opening up opportunities for the youth of Moorpark to experience the arts; 6) The High Street Arts Center should consider garage jazz band sessions, choral groups from outside the community, voice or instrumental quartets, and foreign films; 7) Underwriting youth scholarships or grants for the arts; 8) The arts as a means to provide optimism during times of financial hardship and times of war; and 8) The need for a book store in Moorpark.

The Council discussed: 1) Opportunities for incorporating art objectives; 2) Adding an arts and culture plan to the goals and objectives; 3) Development of a Council objective to require art in public building projects; 4) Possibly adding art objectives to the Human Services Center and new Post Office projects; and 5) Future discussion on having the Arts Commission discuss broadening the definition of the arts, putting together a program to adopt a sister city; possibly developing an Arts Master Plan; identifying opportunities to incorporate Moorpark's history in art such as using the pepper trees and apricot trees, consider a mural for High Street, and conduct field trips to other cities to garner ideas.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Parvin adjourned the City Council meeting and Chair Amador adjourned the Arts Commission meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Janice S. Parvin, Mayor

Jean Amador, Chair

ATTEST:

Maureen Benson, Assistant City Clerk