



CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION

MINUTES

MAY 6, 2015
6:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CARL MAY COMMUNITY CENTER
11711 West Drive, Desert Hot Springs, California

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, as provided by Government Code Section 54956, that Chairman Buchanan has called a special meeting of the Desert Hot Springs CCAC for the purpose stated below:

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Larry Buchanan

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Janice Gough, Michael Picardi, Andrew Cierner, Vice-Chair Pamela Berry, and Chair Larry Buchanan.

Staff Present: Community Development Director Alexander P. Meyerhoff, AICP and Senior Planner Rich Malacoff, AICP

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Andrew Cierner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Action: Vice-Chair Berry moved to approve staff recommendation, motion seconded by Commissioner Picardi, motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Buchanan, Berry, Cierner, and Picardi
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

CONSENT ITEMS

Vice-Chair Berry requested that both consent items be placed on the Discussion Agenda.

1. [Budget for Public Arts Fund](#)

Rich Malacoff, AICP, Senior Planner

Recommendation: Receive and File

The Commission discussed the Public Arts Funds and took no action.

2. [Budget Report for CCAC](#)

Rich Malacoff, AICP, Senior Planner

Recommendation: Receive and File

Commissioner Berry requested that the report correctly reflect the Commission's requests.

MINUTES

[Approval of March 11, 2015 Minutes](#)

Action: Vice Chair Berry moved to approve the minutes, motion seconded by Commissioner Gough, motion carried 3-0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Cirner, Picardi, Berry, and Buchanan
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

[Approval of April 8, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes](#)

Action: Commissioner Gough moved to approve the minutes, motion seconded by Commissioner Picardi, motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Cirner, Picardi, Berry, and Buchanan
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

[Approval of April 22, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes](#)

Action: Commissioner Cirner moved to approve the minutes, motion seconded by Commissioner Gough, motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Cirner, Picardi, Berry, and Buchanan
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND STATUS REPORTS:

1. **Public Art Request for Proposal**

Alexander P. Meyerhoff, AICP, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Follow Direction provided by the Commission

Item Continued to the June 10, 2015 meeting of the Community and Cultural Affairs Commission.

2. **Roger Hopkins Art Project**

Alexander P. Meyerhoff, AICP, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Follow Direction Provided by the Commission

Item Continued to the June 10, 2015 meeting of the Community and Cultural Affairs Commission

3. **Update on the Simi Baba Art Project**

Alexander P. Meyerhoff, AICP, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Follow Direction provided by the Commission

Mr. Meyerhoff presented a PowerPoint on the Simi Daba Art and there was discussion that resulted in the following action:

Action: Chair Buchanan moved to recommend that that staff be directed to do a press release on educating the public on the background and have a public event, Commissioners Gough and Cirner would research finding a final site somewhere in the vicinity of the Stater Brother Shopping center on Palm Drive. Motion Seconded by Commissioner Cirner and approved unanimously.

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Cirner, Picardi, Berry, and Buchanan
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

4. **Continued Discussion and Possible Action on Painting of Utility Boxes**

Alexander P. Meyerhoff, AICP, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Follow Direction provided by the Commission

Jorge Sicre and Jeni Bate made presentations to the Commission. The Commission was concerned over costs and content of the presentations. The Commission discussed the proposals and took the following action:

Action: Chair Buchanan moved to continue the item to the next meeting and give the public a chance to express their opinion on the artwork. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cirner and approved unanimously:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Cirner, Picardi, Berry, and Buchanan
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

5. **Discussion and Possible Direction for the Memorial Day Event**

Rich Malacoff, AICP, Senior Planner

Recommendation: Follow Direction Provided by the City Council

The Commission discussed the repairs to Veteran's Park and the Chair said the Mayor had been taken control of the event and that the Commission would provide some funds to the event. No further action was taken on the item.

6. **Community and Cultural Affairs Budget Request**

Rich Malacoff, AICP, Senior Planner

Recommendation: Follow Direction Provided by the Commission

The Commission discussed funding for the next year and decided to request \$8,000 from the City Council and took the following action:

Action: Commissioner Picardi moved to request \$8,000 from the City Council, motion seconded by Vice Chair Berry and approved unanimously by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 5 - Gough, Cirner, Picardi, Berry, and Buchanan
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

7. **Discussion on Vertical Banners**

Rich Malacoff, AICP, Senior Planner

Recommendation: Follow Direction Provided by the Commission

Item Continued to the June 10, 2015 meeting of the Community and Cultural Affairs Commission.

8. **2015-2016 Calendar**

Rich Malacoff, AICP, Senior Planner

Recommendation: Follow Direction Provided by the City Council

Chair Buchanan appointed a sub-committee consisting of Commissioners Picardi and Vice-Chair Berry.

CHAIR AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR REPORT

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Chair Buchanan Adjourned the meeting at 8:07 PM.

Minutes prepared by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rich Malacoff".

Rich Malacoff, AICP
Senior Planner