

Arts and Commission Meeting
Tuesday, June 13, 2016

MINUTES

Commissioners Present:

Pauline B. Fong-Martinez
Norman J. Rizzi
Nancy G. Rodriguez
Manufou Liaiga-Anoa'I

Commissioners Absent:

Dorie Paniza

Staff Present:

Julie Thuy Underwood (Asst. City Manager)

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm. The minutes for the May 10 meeting were approved as submitted.

The San Mateo County Arts Commission has officially awarded the Arts & Culture Commission a \$4,875 grant. Pauline has signed the grant agreement and the City needs to send Supervisor Tissier a thank you letter within 30 days. Monies will need to be reported and reconciled as per the grant requirement.

The Commission also received a support letter from the Jefferson Elementary School District for the Light Up Our World Event. The Commission discussed inviting schools to produce artwork and ensuring that there are some parameters; however, it would be important to be open and to let the schools define the art. Pauline believes a participation partnership with the District would help define their level of participation. Would they like to be involved in visual arts or performance arts? Manufou mentioned that the District is trying to revive their "Arts Night" event. Pauline suggested that their art installation (if it is visual arts) would need to be installed by late October. Pauline and Manufou agreed to talk about. Manufou stated that more lead time, asking them in August is better. Maria Brizuela, school board member, wants to collaborate on the event.

Pauline attended the Vibo Simfani release party and asked Arianna Jade Bunac, the young girl who sang at the Women's History Month event, to sing at our event. Pauline also suggested having SF State's Afro-Cuban Jazz Ensemble perform – they are lively and fun. In addition, Jump into Writing has agreed to collaborate in our event.

Pauline suggested that the Commission present a Lifetime Achievement Award to Danongan "Danny" Kalanduyan, a master Kulintang musician from Mindanao Province, Philippines. He is also a NEA Heritage Fellow and the only Kulintang musician and teacher in the U.S. who is central to preserving and developing the Kulintang art form, teaching at university and community settings. He lives close by in South San Francisco.

Pauline will present a Arts & Culture Commission update to the Council on July 11, 2016, at 7:00 pm. Commissioners and supporters are needed to attend.

The Commission discussed fundraising for the event. We already have about 15 possible businesses to ask for donations. Norman suggested that we talk to the Daly City Public Library Associates to see if we can get some leads with possible donors. He agreed to develop a fundraising list. Manufou suggested contacting Comcast--Lennies Gutierrez (government affairs rep.); they may be interested in donating \$1,000.

Pauline showed the Commission the draft presentation that would be shown to the City Council and asked for input. Norm suggested including background music.

Nancy suggested connecting our theme of light with Daly City's past – being a “land of refuge from darkness” for many of our residents.

Pauline noted that the Arts & Culture Commission's Strategic Plan needs to be complete and adopted by end of the year.

Pauline suggested that one way to promote the event is to write a monthly article for the Daly Wire. And if it is not about the event, it can be about the Commission. We need to get people to support us and like us on Facebook. Julie will include this in a future issue and will also provide publications/newsletters content deadlines.

Norman provided an update on the costs and logistics for the search lights:

1. Skytracker: \$475.00 for the unit (3 hours), and includes 4 search lights, 4,000 kilowatts each on a wagon; they have their own source of power.
2. Proclaimed Promotions from Concord (connected to NASA): 1 search light for 3 hours for \$300.00 (extra hours are \$50).

Norm noted that they do not provide discounts or freebies.

Norm also contacted Ronny Goo with North County Fire Authority about having them do a performance and hasn't heard back yet. Commissioners asked if the Fire Department could light up their truck/engine or provide helmets to the kids.

Norm reported that PAYS is looking for group sponsors to host two cultural events per year. Norm will report back from his visit to San Mateo High School Theater.

Julie shared a flyer regarding the mural painting of cable boxes that the South San Francisco Arts & Culture Commission is sponsoring. Nancy suggested painting trash cans instead.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.