

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE EL SEGUNDO ARTS AND CULTURE  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Pickhaver called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Pickhaver	-	Present
Vice Chairperson Palmer	-	Absent
Member Bart	-	Absent
Member Burrell	-	Present
Member Carroll	-	Absent
Member Haffley	-	Present
Member Kennedy	-	Absent
Member Leach	-	Absent
Member Losasso	-	Present
Member Mitchell	-	Present
Member Schepps	-	Present

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – (Related to City Business Only – 5-minute limit per person, 30-minute limit total)

Ron Swanson spoke regarding the changes in the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony. He requested the Committee to agendaize the topic for a future meeting.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. MOTION by Chairperson Pickhaver, SECONDED by Member Schepps, approving Regular Committee Meeting minutes of February 25, 2025, MOTION PASSED. 6/0

B. NEW BUSINESS

2. Cultural Arts Master Plan Presentation Strategy

Chairperson Pickhaver reviewed the Cultural Arts Master Plan Presentation Strategy. Recreation, Parks, and Library Director Aly Mancini and Committee members suggested revisions to be made to the presentation.

3. Budget Presentation Strategy

Recreation, Parks, and Library Director Aly Mancini provided a format for the Budget Presentation Strategy. The Presentation Strategy is to be discussed at the next Committee meeting given that Vice Chairperson Palmer was not present for the discussion.

4. Gundo Pride Funding Request (*Item moved before B3*)

Item was unable to be discussed and approved as Chairperson Pickhaver is an organizer of this event therefore requiring his recusal which would cause a loss in quorum. Item is to be agendaized in the next scheduled meeting.

5. Programming and Related Budget Allocation Discussion

Recreation, Parks, and Library Director Aly Mancini lead the Programming and Related Budget Allocation discussion. Director Mancini stated that they have underspent so far this year and suggested that funding was available if the ACC wished for staff to conduct a small event or program prior to the fiscal year's end. Chairperson Pickhaver had concerns regarding planning an event without a Cultural Arts Coordinator.

6. DEI/ACC Joint Meeting Discussion

Chairperson Pickhaver lead the DEI/ACC Joint Meeting discussion. Director Mancini recommended the DEI Committee join one of the ACC meetings. Chairperson Pickhaver proposed the meeting to be held during the ACC Committee meeting in May.

7. Cultural Arts Coordinator Recruitment Update (*Item moved before B5*)

Recreation, Parks, and Library Director Aly Mancini gave an update on the Cultural Arts Coordinator recruitment. Director Mancini and members of the Committee emphasized the importance of the position and its impact to the Committee.

C. REPORTS – BUDGET & INITIATIVE COMMITTEE

None

D. REPORTS - SUBCOMMITTEES

Member Schepps stated that he and Recreation Supervisor Ryan Delgado are looking at possible venues for a music festival. He also stated that they are looking to incorporate a Music Walk into the Art Walk.

Member Losasso added more to the music festival venue search stating that they are looking for an economical venue for the music festival.

E. REPORTS – RECREATIONS, PARKS, AND LIBRARY DIRECTOR

None

F. REPORTS – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Member Haffley stated the importance of the community investing in arts and culture. He also stated that he is making the community aware of the City Council

meeting taking place on April 1<sup>st</sup>. in which the Council will be approving the Cultural Arts Master Plan and Fund Budget and Programming for the next fiscal year.

Member Losasso thanked the subcommittee for their work.

Chairperson Pickhaver stated that he met with Poet Laureate Kweku John and they discussed his introduction during the next city council meeting.

G. REPORTS – COUNCIL MEMBER LIAISON

None

Adjourned at 8:19 PM

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