



**MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING OF THE  
Arts and Culture Commission  
Wednesday, Sept 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.  
El Cerrito City Hall – Hillside Conference Room  
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito**

**7:10 pm**

**Roll Call**

Commissioners Donovan, Hawley, Rand, Zavala. Commissioners Halasz and Lupinsky were absent.

**1. Comments from the Public**

Anna Storelli introduced herself and asked questions about the Commission.

**2. Council / Staff Liaison / Commissioners Reports**

Councilmember Benassini provided an update on recent Council activities and Staff Liaison Iarla spoke about upcoming events.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

It was moved (Rand/Donovan) to approve the minutes of the meeting of the meeting of July 18, 2012. Unanimous. Note: The meeting of August 15 was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.

**4. San Pablo Avenue Public Art Update**

Artist Jonathan Russell provided an update on progress of the San Pablo Avenue Public Art Project including new clean water regulations about copper. The artists are on track to have a sculpture installed for the Arts Month event in October. The remaining pieces will be installed by Spring 2013.

**5. Planning for Possible October is Arts Month and Holiday Arts Event(s)**

The Group discussed ideas for a reception at City Hall in October for National Arts and Humanities Month. The date for the event will be Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Staff will coordinate participation by face painters, musicians, photographers, caterer ; work with a graphic designer to create an event poster; print posters and flyers; invite local arts organizations and businesses to participate at the event with an informational table.

It was moved (Hawley/ \_\_\_\_\_) to authorize staff to plan an event based on the input provided by the Commission. Unanimous. The total budget will not exceed \$2,500.

Joyce volunteered to help with the poster design; Luis volunteered to help find musicians; Nancy volunteered to help with outreach; Heidi volunteered to help with promotion and finding facepainters.

**6. Items for Next Meeting/Future Meetings:**

There was discussion about items for the October agenda including the Draft Arts & Culture Master Plan and planning for the October event.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm