



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
455 N. Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, CA 90210  
City Council Chambers

**Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Arts and Culture Commission**

**SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

Thursday, October 10, 2019  
3:00 PM

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date / Time: October 10, 2019 / 3:21 PM

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor John Mirisch, Councilmember Lili Bosse, Arts and Culture Chair Stephanie Vahn, Arts and Culture Commissioner Zale Richard Rubins, Arts and Culture Commissioner Michael Smooke, Recreation and Parks Chair Alissa Roston, Recreation and Parks Commissioner Amie Sherry, Human Relations Chair Annette Saleh, Architectural Chair Sharon Persovski, Health and Safety Commissioner Cathy Baker, Assistant City Manager Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Chief Information Officer David Schirmer, Web Coordinator Naomi Hartono, Interim Director Community Services Raymond Taylor, Assistant Director Community Services Pam Shinault, Recreation Services Manager Kristin Buhagiar, Recreation Services Manager Patty Acuña, Senior Recreation Supervisor Paul Paolone, Recreation Supervisor Adrine Ovasapyan, Senior Recreation Supervisor Victoria Cusamano, Venue Coordinator Sara Scrimshaw, Executive Assistant Aida Thau, Administrative Clerk Jessica Barragan

Public in attendance: Vicky Swartz, Fred Kaplan, Ria Berkus, Joel Hile, David Truly, K. Bradford, Rebecca Pynoos, Adrienne Forst, Adonis A.A. Simmons, Michaela Bulkley, David Hunt Stafford, Robbie Anderson, Julia Moss, Mark Slavin, Sid Turkish, Clare Haggarty, Phil Savenick, De Ivett, Jessica Good, Julia Rivera

**1) KICKOFF EVENT FOR THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS ARTS AND CULTURE EXPANSION INITIATIVE**

Mayor John Mirisch introduced the Arts and Culture Expansion Initiative and this year's mayoral initiatives. Commissioner Zale Richard Rubins presented a brief overview of the City's current public art collection. Councilmember Lili Bosse expressed gratitude for the expansion of arts and to community members for their leadership. Assistant Director of Community Services Pam Shinault elaborated on the new Arts and Culture Commission program and introduced the Commission's support staff. Art Consultant Karen Constine acknowledged the Commission and City Council for adopting the extended work plan, which outlines the work of the new program along with key milestones for the next 12 to 18 months. Staff encouraged the public to take an arts and culture survey that will be active until November 15, 2019, for data collection. This data will help determine best way for the Commission to move forward. 5D Spectrum President De Ivett presented the new

arts and culture website and calendar, which invites Beverly Hills nonprofit arts, civic, and creative business organizations to add their own content. Staff advised signing up to email list for future communication with the Commission.

**2) PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

Speakers: Phil Savenick, Rachel Fine, Robbie Anderson, David Hunt Stafford,  
Human Relations Chair Annette Saleh, K. Bradford, Julia Moss

**3) ADJOURNMENT**

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