



**Minutes**  
**Of the City of Santa Clara, California**  
**Cultural Commission**  
**for meeting held on Monday, November 3, 2014**

**Recommendations for Council Action: none**

- I. **Call to order**  
 Called to order at 7:03 p.m.
  
- II. **Roll call of commissioners:**  
 Present: Beavers, Fagundes, Forte, Lockwood, Neal, Ryan, Schuk  
 Absent: Stahl  
 Visitors: None
  
- III. **Public Presentations**  
 None
  
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**  
 M/S/C
  
- V. **Correspondence**  
 Commissioners received a flyer from Santa Clara University.
  
- VI. **New Business**
  - A. **Sister Cities**  
 See attached notes.  
 New artist showcase. The commission is curious as to who is to take the lead. Staff would like a consult with Sister Cities Association (SCA) leadership. Lockwood volunteers to be liaison.
  - B. **Street Dance**  
 Four bands under consideration. Will receive links to help decide. Looking for more food booths, perhaps encourage local restaurants to have booths, especially since some of them are new. Proposal is to move the dance to Franklin St. proper, and expand beyond mall. If remaining at the square, it needs to be spruced up. Committee should look into moving the venue, including Rivermark or City Hall. Committee has Fagundes, Forte and Neal. They will research possible new venues.
  - C. **Summer Concerts**  
 Neal suggests more performers, instead of just bands. Research Hispanic and Indian performers. Lockwood has a lead on a group. Considering changing the day and/or time of the concerts. Consider doing the events every other week, Fridays 6:30 - 8 p.m., starting on June 26, 2015. The series will be: 6/26, 7/10,

7/24, street dance on Aug. 7., 8/21. Budget is currently \$3700 for series. Central Park Pavilion as the venue. Committee has Schuk, Ryan and Forte. Forte will chair.

- VII. Board Meeting Liaison Commission Reports  
Triton: Beavers gave report. Ryan unable to attend 11/6/14. Neal or Fagundes to replace.  
Sister Cities: Ryan to attend. See above for report.
- VIII. Unfinished Business
- A. Silicon Valley Power - Green Division 10 year anniversary Art Contest  
Have not heard from SVP.
  - B. Chalk Art Festival  
Would like local experts to come and tell us some of the logistics/overview; either at a commission meeting, a conference call, or a smaller meeting. Consider starting it in conjunction with another event, such as July 4th. Considering various venues.
  - C. First Fridays  
Getting compliments on the events. Triton has been an enthusiastic partner for these events. Several ideas for upcoming entertainment, but commissioners encouraged to think of performers for 2015-2016.
  - D. Utility Box Art  
Staff to get contact rolling. Want to meet by the December meeting.
  - E. Banner art program  
Need to have applications.
- IX. Commissioner Reports  
Schuk has been researching smaller venues for performances. Would like to get one going. Beavers and Fagundes attended the Mission City Community Fund fundraiser.
- X. Adjournment  
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. to Monday evening, December 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Manager's Staff Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,



Loretta Beavers  
Secretary



# Santa Clara Sister Cities Association

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We are headed into the final two months for Santa Clara Sister Cities.

SCSCA assisted with a recent visit by the President of Limerick Institute of Technology and the Director of Business Development. They arrived on October 11. It gave SCSCA an opportunity to find out what their goals are in terms of developing a relationship around education and commerce. Through the visit, Debi Davis, Teresa O'Neill and Kathy Watanabe got to spend time with Marie Hinfelaar and Gillian Barry as well as John Hartnett and learned a lot about incubators and start-ups as well as potential ventures.

On October 12, SCSCA hosted its 33<sup>rd</sup> annual chicken BBQ at the Elks Lodge. There was a good turnout and all the food was eaten. A good sign of a good time by all. Several candidates for public office attended including Pat Kolstad, Roseann LaCoursier, Jodi Muirhead, Noelani Sallings, Ro Khanna and Kansen Chu just to name a few.

The International Exchange Association of Izumo invited representatives of Santa Clara to come to Izumo and attend the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on Sunday, October 19. Kathy Watanabe and Yuki Ikezi attended on behalf of SCSCA and the City of Santa Clara. It was a wonderful event. SCSCA was presented with a beautiful letter of appreciation. It was a wonderful opportunity to continue to build on the long-time relationship Santa Clara has had with Izumo. The delegation visited Izumo High School to speak with the Principal and Vice Principal to discuss the Super Global High School Initiative that has been proposed that will give an opportunity for more Japanese high school students a chance to find out how to apply to American colleges and what are the best courses to take to help make the City of Izumo a more prosperous place to live.

For the month of November, SCSCA will be helping out at Triton First Friday on November 7. For the November meeting, a Nominating Committee has been appointed to put forth a slate of officers for the New Year. The committee will be presenting their recommendations at that meeting.

On December 5, the SCSCA Youth Commission will be selling hot dogs and drinks at the Christmas Tree Lighting. On Sunday, December 7, SCSCA will hold its annual Holiday Potluck at the Senior Center from 5-7 PM. This is always a well-attended event and we hope many will come to celebrate our many accomplishments this past year.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kathy Watanabe  
President, Santa Clara Sister Cities Association