



# City of Santa Clara

## Meeting Minutes

### Cultural Commission

01/07/2019

7:00 PM

Santa Clara Senior Center  
1303 Fremont Street  
Santa Clara, CA 95050

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair von Huene called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, to excuse Vice Chair Samara from the meeting.**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner von Huene, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Marinaro

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**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Samara

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**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Mathur

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#### CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [19-1692](#) Cultural Commission Minutes of December 3, 2018

**A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, to approve the Cultural Commission December 3, 2018 minutes as amended.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, to retract the previous motion as a correction was missed.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, to approve the Cultural Commission December 3, 2018 minutes as amended.**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner von Huene, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Marinaro

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Samara

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Mathur

### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

2.     [19-1693](#)     Presentation by Cultural Groups Requesting City Financial Support in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20
- Parade of Champions:  
President Ana Vargas-Smith provided an overview of the organization's history, current initiatives, and answered questions about the application for city financial support.
- Santa Clara Ballet:  
Board Member Prakash Darjz provided an overview of the organization's history, current productions, and answered questions about the application for city financial support.
- Santa Clara Players:  
President George Doeltz provided an overview of the organization's history, current productions, and answered questions about the application for city financial support.
- Art Forum:  
Not Present
- Santa Clara Chorale:  
Not Present
- A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, to defer the recommendation until the February 4, 2019 Cultural Commission meeting.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Bhatia, seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, to create a subcommittee that will research and propose the scope of a Arts & Culture Master Plan to come back to the Commission for approval and provide the basis for an Request For Proposal (RFP).**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner von Huene, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Marinaro

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Samara

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Mathur

3. [19-1694](#) Presentation of 2019 Cultural Events' Entertainment

Commissioner Diaz provided updates on entertainment for the 2019 Concert in the Park series.

4. [19-1695](#) Cultural Commission Work Plan Updates and Discussion for FY2018-19

The commission reviewed and modified their 2018-19 work plan and strategic goals.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Staff reviewed upcoming agenda items.

**COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

**Commissioner Beavers** reported on the December 7, 2018 Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration & Cultural Commission joint booth with Joy of Sewa. She also visited Local Color and saw the musical "A Bronx Tale" at the Golden Gate Theatre in San Francisco. Additionally, she visited Missouri.

**Commissioner Bhatia** reported on the December 7, 2018 Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration & Cultural Commission joint booth with Joy of Sewa. Additionally, she went to the delegation in India & toured Pakistan. During her trip, she watched the Wagah-Attari border ceremony and visited the Virasat-e-Khalsa museum. She reported on the November 20, 2018 the County of Santa Clara Supervisor Meeting and a cultural arts and history grant for 5 million (1 million per County Supervisor).

**Chair von Huene** reported meeting with Ron Marieta and Commissioner Beavers about forming a County cultural alliance or network. Additionally, she visited Local Color.

**Commissioner Marinaro** reported on the December 7, 2018 Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration & Cultural Commission joint booth with Joy of Sewa.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m. with the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, February 4, 2019.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Marinaro, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Beavers, Commissioner Bhatia, Commissioner von Huene, Commissioner Diaz, and Commissioner Marinaro

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Samara

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Mathur