

CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Monday, June 8, 2009

Members Present: Su-Lin Carbonelli, Dorreth Cole, Robert Parker, William Denby, Perkins Foss. **Staff Present:** Barbara Lamb, Kim Futrell. **Members Absent:** Tia Blassingame, Alderman Frances Clark, Suzette Franco-Camacho, Gabriela Campos-Matteson, Jennifer Delmonico, Randi Rubin Rodriguez, Dean Sakamoto, Aleta Staton. **Guests:** Janna Wagner

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by B. Parker at 5:56 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes to be revisited when a quorum is present.

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cultural Affairs: B. Lamb distributed a written report covering the status of current public art projects which include two neighborhood murals. DCA has been notified of two upcoming Percent for Art projects: Hill Central and East Rock Schools. Carbonelli expressed interest in serving as the commission representative for the Hill Central. Additionally, the public art guidelines have been reviewed and will be submitted to the Board of Alderman for approval.

Mayors Community Arts Grant Program: Twenty-nine applicants submitted applications to the 2009/2010 grants program. A panel will meet to review each application and determine which applicants will receive funding.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Strategic Planning: AMS is currently compiling a report based on the series of interviews with the commission, arts leaders and key stakeholders. DCA will host a success workshop with interested commission members, staff and key stakeholders in which the results of the findings will be discussed. B. Parker, P. Foss, J. Wagner expressed interest in attending.

Arts Advocacy: The Connecticut Arts Alliance recently issued a statement encouraging supporters of the arts to advocate for the importance of arts funding on the state level.

V. NEW BUSINESS

None discussed.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JULY 13 AT 5:45 PM AT CITY HALL.