

# INGLEWOOD CALIFORNIA

## ARTS COMMISSION

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The Arts Commission meeting was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 in Community Room A located on the first floor of City Hall. Commissioner Althea Metcalf called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the flag salute.

### Roll Call

#### Present

Commissioner Althea Metcalf, District 1  
Commissioner Phyllis Battle, District 3  
Commissioner Vicki Perryman-Banks, District 4  
Sabrina Barnes, Director Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department  
Helen Lessick, Public Art Consultant  
Stephanie Maldonado, Senior Management Assistant

#### Absent

None

Sabrina Barnes informed the Commission that Commissioner Fox has resigned. The Commission is awaiting appointment of new Commissioners from Mayor James Butts and Councilman Padilla.

### Approval of the Minutes

There was a correction on the March 20, 2019 minutes, revising the amount of the action item; from \$36,300 to \$130,256. The minutes were then moved by Commissioner Banks and seconded by Commissioner Battle.

Ayes: Commissioners Metcalf, Banks and Battle

Nays: None

### Staff Report

Director Barnes presented a staff report recommending the Arts Commission receive and file the IGAPP 2019 Music Composition and Performance panel recommendations for each semi-finalist to submit a new two-minute audio sketch showing the direction each would take and give the Commission opportunity with a written narrative about the performance. Helen Lessick provided information regarding the panel. The panel was held on April 11, 2019. It's a commission for \$12,000 for music composition and performance. The applications were received through the end of May. Two semi-finalists were recommended. Commissioner Battle was on the panel and stated that the experience was memorable and the candidates that were chosen were well deserved. The semi-finalists are Jabari Lake and Dr. Dawn Norfleet and Kevin Deane (team). They are Inglewood artist; both own businesses in Inglewood. The Commission was advised to review their resumes. Commissioner Battle inquired if the information presented was based on rank. Ms. Lessick stated that they are not ranked. Each of the semi-finalists will be paid \$1,000 to create a sketch and narrative of how they will proceed. They have 8-weeks to develop their sketch. The panel will reconvene in July where a finalist will be chosen. Ms. Barnes stated the panel was passionate about their choices and that there was a general consensus on who the semi-finalist were. Commissioner Metcalf inquired on the number of applicants. There were six (6) applicants total.

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Director Barnes presented a staff report recommending the Arts Commission recommend the Mayor and Council Members accession Cosmic Fusion, the public art mural by Ricardo Duffy into the City of Inglewood Public Art Collection, making it eligible for maintenance and conservation through Public Art Fund allocations. Helen Lessick provided information regarding the mural. Cosmic Fusion is an addition to Culture Fusion. The piece was a Successor Agency project (former Redevelopment Agency). Cosmic Fusion is adjacent to the Public Art Piece *Culture Fusion* and is recommended that it is added to the Public Art collection; in the future a conservator will treat both murals equally. *Cosmic Fusion* is a ceramic tile mural that should last for 50 years. Commissioner Banks made a motion that the Arts Commission recommend the Mayor and Council Members accession Cosmic Fusion, the public art mural by Ricardo Duffy, into the City of Inglewood Public Art Collection, making it eligible for maintenance and conservation through Public Art Fund allocations. Commissioner Metcalf seconded and the motion was approved as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Metcalf, Battle and Banks  
Nays: None

Verbal Reports

IGAPP 2020: Participator Public Art for Dr. Martin Luther King Day

IGAPP 2020 will include the values and spirit of Dr. King. Artists are to propose ideas for the commemoration. Twenty artists have been identified for the call. Sixty percent (60%) of those artists that responded are from Inglewood. Arts presenters are being invited to present proposals and are as follows: Aero Collective, Creative House, Residency, and Sip and Sonder. The funding for this project was allocated in 2018-2019. The piece must be completed by January 18, 2020. Ms Lessick stated that the panel needs to move fairly quickly because of the time frame allotted for completion. The contract will be for creative services; various forms of art. It will be a standard City of Inglewood contract that includes general liability insurance as well as a current business license. Commissioner Battle asked if the Commission could add a provision in the contract to assist with insurance and licensing fees. Sabrina Barnes stated that the City of Inglewood has a general policy that contractor must be insured to do work with the City. Helen Lessick stated that in the past a non-profit has stepped forward and sponsored the artist. Commissioner Banks asked if assisting the artist could possible enable them. Ms. Barnes stated that the Department is looking into a blanket policy that could serve as a “catch all” but at this time all artists are responsible for their own insurance.

Public Comments

Helen Lessick stated that the Public Art Coalition of Southern California had a meeting last month at Metro. Two booklets were developed and given to Sabrina Barnes.

Commissioners' Comments

None

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### Announcements/ Calendar

The next Art Commission meeting will be held at the City of Inglewood in Community Room A on June 19, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.