City of Hawthorne
Recreation & Community Services
January 6, 2009

LET THE RECORD SHOW PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 54954.2, THIS AGENDA WAS POSTED ON THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS BULLETIN BOARD AT 9:00 AM WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 31, 2008.

The Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Morton @ 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers of Hawthorne City Hall.

Roll Call: Commissioner Bowie, Balboa, Jeppesen, Hughes, McGregor, Montiero and Chairman Morton.

The flag salute was led by Commissioner Hughes.

Commissioner Bowie approved the minutes for December 2, 2008. Commissioner Jeppesen seconded the motion.

Vote: All ayes

Written Communications:

A. Commission reviewed minutes form November 25, 2008.

B. The Commission also reviewed the Memorial Center & Sports Center calendar.

C. Assistant Director Hardison highlighted on the Maintenance report for December 2008. Discussion followed.

Foundation Report:
Commissioner Morton commented on the December 11th Foundation meeting. Chevron gave a contribution of $3000 to the Foundation for starting blocks for the pool. Elections were also done at this meeting. The Parks & Recreation Foundation van was vandalized. It will cost the Foundation $400 to repair the damages.

There was no Oral Communication at this time.

Assistant Director's Report:

a. The City received $300,000 in park funds from Los Angeles County 2nd District Supervisor. Excess Park Bond Funds. The funds will be used to repair the irrigation systems at Holly & Memorial Park.

b. Prop. 84 has a $370 million Grant available. This is a good competitive grant that could benefit our city parks. In order to compete we would need a completed project by spring 2009 no later than fall 2009. The winners will be announced early Spring 2010.

c. There were two RFP's submitted to purchase the camp. The City Manager is currently reviewing the applications.

d. Holiday Home Decorating Contest was really nice. There were 10 entries total. Look forward to doing it again next year.

e. Tax preparation for seniors will be taking place soon so if you know anyone interested have them contact the senior center.

f. The City Council has to re-appoint all of the commissioners at the next council meeting.

Commissioner's Comments:
Commissioner Monteiro said Happy New Years to all. Also there are slots available for the pre school class if you know anyone who is interested.

Commissioner Hughes asked if the Teen Center is taking donations.

Assistant Director Hardison replied, yes just stop buy and speak to the staff.

Commissioner Jeppesen wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Bowie wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Morton wished everyone a Happy New Year and asked should the commission be looking for ideas for this upcoming Grant?

Assistant Director Hardison said yes that would be great.

This meeting was adjourned by Chairman Morton @ 6:45 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, February 3, 2009.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Kywanna Bowie