



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
4th Floor Conference Room A

Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Arts and Culture Commission

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Tuesday, June 14, 2019
2:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: June 14, 2019 / 2:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor John Mirisch, Councilmember Lili Bosse, Fine Art Chair Zale Richard Rubins, Fine Art Vice Chair Stephanie Vahn, Assistant City Manager Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Assistant Director Community Services Pam Shinault, Recreation Services Manager Kristin Buhagiar, Recreation Supervisor Adrine Ovasapyan, Senior Recreation Supervisor Victoria Cusumano, Executive Assistant Aida Thau
Public in attendance: Sonja Sharp

1) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

2) CARL MILLES ELEPHANT SCULPTURE

The Liaisons discussed and considered the request by Mayor Mirisch to acquire a sculpture by artist Carl Milles. The proposed acquisition *Elephant* sculpture was presented by the Milles Foundation in April 2, 2019 to the former Fine Art Commission as a one of a kind art piece by this artist, that could be commissioned by the City as a fountain feature. The representatives of the Milles Foundation have offered this fine art piece to the City for \$600,000. They have also informed that the Milles Foundation has secured a \$200,000 sponsorship towards the purchase of this piece by the City. The Liaisons directed staff to secure comparable prices for Milles sculpture sale prices of similar size sculptures by this artist, before this item is presented to City Council for consideration of purchase. If approved by City Council the City would be responsible for providing funds for the remaining \$400,000 of the purchasing price, plus the transportation and installation costs. The liaisons also proposed the installation site for the *Elephant* fountain to be on the block of Beverly Gardens Park just north of City Hall, and to place the fountain with the trunk pointing towards City Hall.

3) ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: June 14, 2019 / 3:11 PM