
Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER
6650 Beach Boulevard
Buena Park, CA 90621

**CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION
AGENDA**

1. GENERAL

- 1A. CALL TO ORDER
- 1B. ROLL CALL
- 1C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

2A. Oral Communications

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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3A. Approval of Minutes - January 15, 2025

4. DIRECTOR AND CITY STAFF REPORTS

- 4A. Reports

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 5A. Discussion on Summer Concerts in the Park

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 6A. REPORTS

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 7A. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
- 7B. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

- 8A. Adjournment

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Ariana Chavez
Senior Administrative Assistant
Community Services Department

Date Posted: February 13, 2025

Cultural Engagement Commission Agenda Report

A. Approval of Minutes - January 15, 2025

Meeting	Agenda Group
Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 6:00 PM	APPROVAL OF MINUTES Item: 3A.
Presented By	Prepared By
	Jim Box, Director of Community Services
Approved By	
Jim Box, Director of Community Services	

Approve the minutes from the January 15, 2025 meeting.

Attachments

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**CITY OF BUENA PARK
CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION
January 15, 2025**

1. GENERAL

- a. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Yun called the Cultural Engagement Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.
- b. **ROLL CALL:**
Present: De La Luz, Martinez, Walker, Yun
Absent:
Also Present: Jim Box, Director of Community Services
Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant
Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor
Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator
Saul Contreras, Senior Office Assistant
- c. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Commissioner De La Luz

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 20, 2024

***M/S/P – Commissioner Martinez motioned for the approval of minutes. Commissioner De La Luz seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

4. DIRECTOR AND CITY STAFF REPORTS:

a. Jim Box, Director of Community Services, informed the Commission on the new Council Liaison, Vice Mayor Traut, and on the Military Banner Program. Jim Box, Director of Community Services, invited commissioners to take part in the Community Academy and provided an update on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, informed the Commission on the next Buena Park Youth Theater show and an update on a new art installation on Lakeknoll Dr. and Dale St. Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator, updated the Commission on the 2025 Elementary Art Show and invited the Commission to the awards reception. Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator, updated the Commission on the upcoming middle and high school art display and the excursion to the flower fields in Carlsbad.

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Selection of New Chair and Vice Chair
Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant, informed the Commission on the selection of a new Chair and Vice Chair at the start of every year. The new Chair for 2025 will be Chair Walker and the new Vice Chair will be Vice Chair De La Luz.
- b. Discussion on Art in Public Places – Utility Box, District 2
Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, presented to the Commission the location of utility boxes on the corner of Beach Blvd. and Orangethorpe Ave. and asked commissioners for direction on the art in public places project. The Commission recommended to move forward with staff's proposal on the project.

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS, ATENDANCE REPORT:

- a. Commissioner Yun commented on participating as a judge for the holiday home decorating contest and attending a City Council meeting. Vice Chair De La Luz commented on being a judge for the holiday home decorating contest and attending the Ladies' Luncheon and Art Brown's retirement event. Vice Chair De La Luz commented on placing a future agenda item that looked into creating a program where residents can be able to visit the houses that participate in the holiday decorating contest. Commissioner Martinez commented on attending the Mayor's Prayer breakfast, the Christmas Tree Lighting event, Candy Caneland, and the new Council swearing in. Commissioner Martinez commented on her Police Advisory Board tenure and recommended commissioners to look into taking part of the board. Chair Walker commented on attending the Ladies' Luncheon and taking part as a judge for the elementary art show.
- b. Attendance Report.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Walker declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, February 19, 2025.

ATTEST:

Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant

Sharena Walker, Chair

Cultural Engagement Commission Agenda Report

A. Discussion on Summer Concerts in the Park

Meeting	Agenda Group
Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 6:00 PM	DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS Item: 5A.
Presented By	Approved By
Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator	Jim Box, Director of Community Services

DISCUSSION

Staff has begun preparing for the 2025 Summer Concerts in the Park. This annual event consists of six concerts held at Boisseranc Park. A pre-show performance by local youth dance studios begins at 6:30PM and the bands start playing at 7:00PM. Each concert typically attracts 1,500-3,000 attendees, who enjoy a variety of entertainment options. This series also includes community partner booths, twilight swim, food trucks, and other fun activities.

Staff has been contacting bands to create the best experience for thousands of attendees. We are seeking input from the commission on the event and selection of the final band.

Proposed Schedule:

July 2: The Dreamboats - 50's and 60's Pop & Rock

July 9: Commissioners Choice - Latin Night

July 16: Yachty by Nature - Smooth Yacht Rock of the 70's & 80's

July 23: Tijuana Dogs - High Energy Multi-faceted rock/dance/party

July 31: Bruno and the Hooligans - Bruno Mars Tribute

August 6: New Romantics - Taylor Swift Tribute

Band's for Commissioner's Choice

The following bands have been researched by staff for the Commissioners' Choice night on July 9, 2025.

Suavé the Band - Suavé is an 8-piece power house band that has thrilled audiences throughout Southern California with its energetic music and high spirit onstage antics. Suavé's success stems from their ability to authentically perform many different styles of music including Jazz, Rock, Swing, R&B, and Latin music including Cumbia, Merengue, Salsa, Cha-Cha and more.

Soto Band - Soto has emerged as one of the hottest Latin-Funk-R&B dance bands of the millennium. Soulful ballads, Latin rhythms, hot dance grooves and high energy stage shows has made Soto the most entertaining musical group of today. The nonstop energy of the Latin American musical group will have crowds signing and dancing all night.

Mariachi Divas - With a career spanning 25 years, the all-female Mariachi Divas founded by musical director and trumpet player Cindy Shea, is celebrated for its innovative and eclectic array of music ranging from mariachi classics to jazz and pop. With several GRAMMY awards and nominations, the ensemble continues to expand the scope of mariachi music, delighting audiences from around the world.

Latin Soul Band - Latin Soul Band specializes in putting together songs to perform with a soulful Latin twist. Their song selection ranges from Rock, Blues, and R&B to the most popular Latin songs in the styles of Cumbia, Salsa, Merengue, Bachata, Reggeatón, and Rock en Español. The band gets the crowd grooving with their powerful driven drummer and rhythmic section.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Tonight, staff is seeking direction from the Commission to select a final band for the 2025 Summer Concert Series.