

Councilmember David Ryu
Discretionary Funds Task Force

Regular Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, June 5, 2018—6:00pm

Will & Ariel Durant Branch Library, 7140 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90046

I. WELCOME

Andrew Suh, Council District 4 liaison welcomes everyone and called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

7 members present

Nahtahna Cabanes

Tami Kagan-Abrams

George Skarpelos

G. Jesse Smith

Julie Stromberg

Liza Temple

Ken Fritz

2 members absent

Brian Pendleton

Paulette Light

II. MINUTES

a. Approve minutes from 4/18/18 meeting.

Motion -- To approve the minutes of the 4/18/18 meeting.

Moved: *Stromberg*

Second: *Smith*

Vote: *Approved unanimously.*

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No general public comments

IV. COUNCIL OFFICE LIAISON UPDATES

Andrew Suh, *Council District 4 Legislative Deputy*

- Updated the language in the Discretionary Funds Project Request Application to clearly indicate that the city is limited to cover 50% of the city permit fees for all events.
- The words “Block Party” should be included in the BSS event title to avoid event type discrepancies.
- Included tick boxes for organizations who have previously received discretionary funds.

V. OFFICER ELECTIONS

- a. Chair – **Nahtahna Cabanes**
- b. Vice-chair – **George Skarpelos**

VI. REVIEW LARGE EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

Discussion of old or new business, announcements & community updates.

a. City Ballet of Los Angeles (\$20,000)

The City Ballet of Los Angeles is a 501©3 organization which incorporates classes with performances. The City Ballet has held previous performances at the Ebell of Los Angeles located in the fourth council district. The request of \$20,000 will be used to cover a slurry of expenses related to the promotion and operation of the company’s performance 2020-2021 season. The goal of the ballet company is to promote and integrate diversity and Angelenos into the world of ballet. The task force decided to table this discussion due to an unclear project expenditure plan. The organizer has been requested to report back with a stronger spending proposal.

b. Art Talks on the River (\$5,000)

The LA River Art Project is a series of discussions and panels regarding the LA River in hopes to activate the community to support and raise awareness with the revitalization of the LA River. The series is comprised of five events throughout the summer and will be hosted in a venue in Council District 13. The venue was chosen because of its relative proximity to the river as well as its relevance to FoLAR, the project’s fiscal sponsor.

Motion: Recommend to the Council Office the approval of the full amount requested of \$5,000.

Moved: Skarpelos

Second: Temple

Vote: Approved unanimously.

c. Hope Cottage (\$4,750)

The Hope Cottage is a domestic violence shelter located in Koreatown that supports families and individuals for 1-2 years through their transitional housing program. The funding request is to replace the carpet in the individual suites with a new shoe base molding to provide a longer lifespan for the floors. This item was tabled to review a previous allocation and to receive a delineated budget.

Motion: Recommend to the Council Office the approval of the full amount requested of \$4,750.

Moved: Stromberg

Second: Fritz

Vote: Approved unanimously

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: August 7th, 2018