

Council Meeting of
May 8, 2012

SUPPLEMENTAL

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

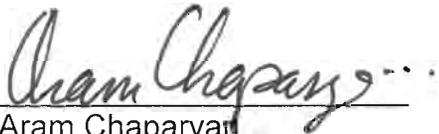
SUBJECT: City Manager-- Supplemental Material to Item 12B

This supplemental includes the addition of a sentence at the bottom of the page on the initial item that was omitted as a result of a formatting revision. Staff also updated the proposed Cultural Arts and Communications Commission budget to include the stipends for the additional three positions. There is no new financial impact to the overall budget since the stipends are currently included in Cable Television Public Access Fund.

Attached is also a public comment was received from a member of the Cable Television Advisory Board regarding the proposed consolidation. The last item is the ordinance summary.

Respectfully submitted,

LeROY J. JACKSON
CITY MANAGER

By 
Aram Chaparyan
Assistant to the City Manager

CONCUR:


LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

- Attachment
- A) Corrected 1st Page of Item
 - B) Updated Budget
 - C) Public Comment
 - D) Ordinance Summary

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SUBJECT: City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE to consolidate the Cable Television Advisory Board and the Cultural Arts Commission

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

1. Disband the Cable Television Advisory Board;
2. Rename the Cultural Arts Commission to Cultural Arts and Communications Commission;
3. Add the current powers and duties of the Cable Television Advisory Board to those of the Cultural Arts and Communications Commission;
4. Appoint current members of the Cable Television Advisory Board to the Cultural Arts and Communications Commission and allow for an increased membership until future vacancies reduce the commission to the statutory seven members;
5. Adopt an ORDINANCE to repeal Article 17 of Chapter 3 of Division 1 and to amend Article 15 of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code to add the duties of the Cable Television Advisory Board to those of the renamed Cultural Arts and Communications Commission and to allow for the temporary increase in membership; and
6. Consolidate the budgets for the two existing commissions into the Cultural Arts and Communications Commission.

Funding

Not applicable.

BACKGROUND

The Mayor brought up the potential of consolidating the Cable Television Advisory Board with the Cultural Arts Commission under orals at the March 13, 2012 Council meeting. He asked that staff prepare a report on the process to consolidate and bring it forward as an agenda item for Council consideration.

The Cable Television Advisory Board was created in 1987. The Cable Television Advisory Board advises and makes recommendations to the Cable Television Foundation and City Council in the area of policies and procedures in public access interests, scheduling public access programming, facilities and equipment for the community and public access channels, and disbursement of Foundation funds.

The Cultural Arts Commission was originally created in the 1973. The goals of the Commission are to continue honoring Torrance citizens whose contributions to the arts are such that the City formally recognizes their achievements; to expand the utilization of the Cultural Arts Center by both touring and local artists, to broaden community awareness of the arts through work with PTAs and other citizen groups and organizations. The Cultural Arts Commission's long range goals are to encourage and promote live cultural presentations for the citizens of Torrance and

PROPOSED CULTURAL ARTS AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION BUDGET

Account Number	Description	2010 Adopted	2011 Adopted	2012 Adopted	2013 Prior Year	2013 Analysis	2013 Department
		Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Adopted 2012-13	Proposed 2012-13
		2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	Proposed 2012-13	2nd Year	13 as of 5-2-12
		Adopted	Adopted (July)	Adopted	2nd Year		
<u>Salaries and Employee Benefits</u>							
3011	Sal/Benf-Minute Sec-Flat Rate	\$6,200.00	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total: Salaries and Employee Benefits		\$6,200.00	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>Materials, Supplies & Maintenance</u>							
3702	Office Supp/Accessories/Svcs	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
3708	Printed Forms/Maps/Blueprints	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
3718	Photographic Supplies/Services	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
3758	Books and Pamphlets	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
3903	Recr-Supplies/Services	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Total: Materials, Supplies & Maintenance		\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
<u>Professional/Contract Services & Utilities</u>							
4719	Minute Secretaries Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
4722	Local Grants	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Total: Professional/Contract Services & Utilities		\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,900.00
<u>Training, Travel & Membership Dues</u>							
5100	Membership and Dues	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
5102	Out of Town Travel	\$252.00	\$252.00	\$252.00	\$252.00	\$252.00	\$252.00
5106	Local Meetings and Expenses	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,660.00	\$1,660.00	\$1,660.00
Total: Training, Travel & Membership Dues		\$1,652.00	\$1,652.00	\$1,652.00	\$2,012.00	\$2,012.00	\$2,012.00
<u>Interdepartmental Charges</u>							
6340	Minute Secretaries Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,200.00	\$6,200.00	\$6,200.00	\$0.00
Total: Interdepartmental Charges		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,200.00	\$6,200.00	\$6,200.00	\$0.00
Program Total: Cultural Arts Commission		\$13,652.00	\$13,652.00	\$13,652.00	\$14,012.00	\$14,012.00	\$9,712.00
Division Total: Cultural Arts Commission		\$13,652.00	\$13,652.00	\$13,652.00	\$14,012.00	\$14,012.00	\$9,712.00
Department Total: Council		\$13,652.00	\$13,652.00	\$13,652.00	\$14,012.00	\$14,012.00	\$9,712.00
Fund Total: General Fund		(\$13,652.00)	(\$13,652.00)	(\$13,652.00)	(\$14,012.00)	(\$14,012.00)	(\$9,712.00)
Net Grand Totals:		(\$13,652.00)	(\$13,652.00)	(\$13,652.00)	(\$14,012.00)	(\$14,012.00)	(\$9,712.00)

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Subject: Proposal to Disband Cable Television Advisory Board

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Subject: Proposal to Disband Cable Television Advisory Board

Lynn Brennan, City Commissioner

Cable Television Advisory Board

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May 7, 2012

To: Hon. Mayor & City Council Members,

As a current member of the Cable Television Advisory Board, I strongly oppose the proposal to disband the CTAB. TCTV Channel 28, as the public access channel for the city of Torrance, is a unique communication venue in and of itself, and it does not fit with the Cultural Arts Commission or any other City Commission.

There are sufficient people interested in CTAB and scheduled for the May 9th certification class, and therefore the City should move forward with the Cable Television Advisory Board as it stands. To disband the Cable Television Advisory Board would lead the public to believe that perhaps the public access channel itself will be eliminated for the City of Torrance. The potential ramifications of this action would cause an extreme detriment to the community. Fourteen public access channels were lost in Los Angeles, by this very same procedure. The PEG funds

coming to Torrance are set aside for public access communications for the citizens of the City.

Members of the CTAB have had no opportunity to discuss this proposal. In just learning about tomorrow's agenda, unfortunately, my schedule does not allow me to be present at the meeting.

Mayor and Council Members: Please move to delay this vote until the Advisory Board members and the general public will have time to participate. I am requesting a meeting with you, Mayor, to discuss the potential future ramifications of this proposed move.

Thank you for your consideration.

Lynn Brennan, CTAB Commissioner

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

SUMMARY

On _____, 2012, the City Council of the City of Torrance adopted an ordinance abolishing the City's Cable Television Advisory Board and consolidating its functions with the City's Cultural Arts Commission, renamed the Cultural Arts and Communications Commission

Initially, the new commission will have nine members (the existing combined membership of the Cable Television Advisory Board and the Cultural Arts Commission. Over time through attrition the number of members will be reduced to seven.

*****City Clerk to add a paragraph stating that copies of the ordinance are available at the City Clerk's office and stating the names of the City Council members that voted in favor and those that voted against.*****

