



ADVISORY CULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 28, 2012

CALL TO ORDER:

A Brian Lynch, Chairman
Steve Chirico, City Council Liaison
Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins
Maureen Dvorak
Mary Gorecki
Cliff Panczyk
Marco Pena
Mark Riordan
Kyle McElroy, Student Representative

Absent

Phillip Kapela
Rachel Weathered, Student Representative

Also Present

City Clerk, Pam LaFeber
Special Events Coordinator, Jennifer Runestad

Press

NCTV

B OPENING REMARKS:

B. LYNCH

C COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 CITY OF NAPERVILLE – DUPAGE CHILDREN’S MUSEUM DEBT SERVICE – Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$140,000**
- 2 CITY OF NAPERVILLE – CARILLON LOAN PAYOFF– Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$600,000**
- 3 CITY OF NAPERVILLE/NAPERVILLE PARK DISTRICT– RIVERWALK MAINTENANCE - Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$134,163**

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- 4 CITY OF NAPERVILLE/NAPERVILLE PARK DISTRICT– RIVERWALK MAINTENANCE** – No funding requested by applicants.
- 5 KIDS TEEN RIDER** – Special Events Bus – Commission unanimously recommended \$0 funding.
- 6 NAPERVILLE MUNICIPAL BAND** – Contracted band concerts, parades, events, etc. - Commission Recommended Full Funding AT \$131,011.
- 7 NCTV** – Capital Projects/HD Studio Switcher -- Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$40,624. Commissioner Anderson-Wilkins noted that NCTV is one of the best local stations in the country and they document all city events.
- 8 SINGING FOR SENIORS** – Singing for Seniors Traveling Troupe Equipment – Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$3,270.
- 9 SUMMER PLACE THEATER** – Wireless Microphone System – Commission Recommended funding of \$7,578, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 10 CITY OF NAPERVILLE SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR SALARY** - Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$31,888.
- 11 CITY OF NAPERVILLE** – Finance Department Administrative Costs for the Collection of Food and Beverage Tax - Commission Recommended Full Funding at \$42,500.
- 12 CITY OF NAPERVILLE FOURTH OF JULY SHUTTLES** - Commission Recommended funding of \$23,861, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 13 CITY OF NAPERVILLE FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS** - Commission Recommended full funding of \$10,000.

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- 14 NAPERVILLE SISTER CITIES COMMISSION** – Various Requests - Commission Recommended funding of \$6,714, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Commissioners noted concerns about funds being used to fund activities outside of Naperville.
- 15 NAPERVILLE DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP -** Commission Recommended full funding at \$125,000. Commissioner Anderson-Wilkins and Chairman Lynch noted that the strong correlation between marketing the city’s restaurants and the food and beverage tax used for SECA warranted full funding.
- 16 360 YOUTH SERVICES** – 10th Annual Chocolate Festival- Commission Recommended funding of \$6,857, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 17 ACCAPELLAGO** – 2012-2013 Naperville Concert Series -- Commission Recommended \$0. Chairman Lynch later noted that this was one of the organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.
- 18 NAPERVILLE EDUCATION FOUNDATION** – Born to Read – Commission Recommended funding of \$4,237, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 19 CENTURY WALK** – Naperville’s Public Art Program – Commission Recommended funding of \$101,857 which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 20 CHICAGO SINFONIETTA** –2012-2013 Naperville Concert Season– Commission Recommended funding of \$0. Chairman Lynch later noted that this was one of the organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.
- 21 CHICAGO SINFONIETTA** – Community Concerts – Commission Recommended funding of \$0. Chairman Lynch later noted that this was one of the organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.

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22 **DONG FANG** –Fall Moon Festival – Commission Recommended funding of \$8,214, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.

23 **DUPAGE SYMPHONY** –2012-2013 Concert Season – Commission Recommended funding of \$28,000. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted that the organization’s concerts are well-attended and the organization is well-run. Commissioner Pena also noted that the organization works well with other organizations.

24 **DUPAGE SYMPHONY** –Riverwalk Fine Art Fair – Commission Recommended funding of \$3,500. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins and Commissioner Pena noted that the symphony is a great addition to the art fair and adds a unique element to the event.

25 **DUPAGE SYMPHONY** –Summer Concert – Commission Recommended full funding of \$2,300.

26 **DOWNTOWN NAPERVILLE ALLIANCE** –New Year’s Eve Celebration – Commission Recommended funding of \$12,350, which is an average of all commissioner recommendations.

27 **EQUADORIAN VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION** – Equadorian Cultural Evening – Commission Recommended \$0 funding.

28 **EVERGREEN THEATER** – Engaging and Entertaining Theater Productions that Inspire Families – Commission Recommended \$0 funding. Chairman Lynch later noted that this was one of the organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.

29 **FAIR LADY PRODUCTIONS** – Center Stage Players – Commission Recommended funding of \$7,554, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.

30 **FAIR LADY PRODUCTIONS** – Center Stage Theater – Commission Recommended funding of \$6,900, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.

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- 31 **FAIR LADY PRODUCTIONS** – Kidz Kabaret – Commission Recommended funding of \$11,857, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 32 **GREEN EARTH INSTITUTE** – Green Earth Fair – Commission Recommended funding of \$3,000. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted that this is one of the only organizations that works out of the McDonald Farm and praised the message and education that the organization brings to the community.
- 33 **INDIAN PRAIRIE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION** – Fine Arts Festival– Commission Recommended funding of \$6,143, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Commissioner Panczyk noted the diversity and high quality of the event. Chairman Lynch clarified that the applicant is not district-funded. They are a separate organization from the district.
- 34 **JUMPING OFF THE PAGE** – Naperville Reads – Commission Recommended funding of \$11,857, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 35 **KIDS MATTER** – Youth Service Awards – Commission Recommended full funding at \$2,000. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson – Wilkins noted that this is a great event for the youth in the community and encourages kids in the community to volunteer. Councilman Chirico noted that the program is a valuable, rewarding program for the community.
- 36 **KROEHLER YMCA** – Movie Nights – Commission Recommended funding of \$2,714, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 37 **LOAVES AND FISHES** – A Day Without Hunger – Commission Recommended funding of \$4,571, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Councilman Chirico noted that in light of the economy and the needs of the less fortunate, Loaves and Fishes does a great job helping those in need. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted a disconnect between funding an event to educate the community about those in need vs. an event that benefitted the less fortunate. Commissioners would like to hear from the organization on February 11.

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- 38 **MIDWEST SOARRING** – Harvest Pow-Wow -- Commission Recommended funding of \$0. Chairman Lynch noted that this was one of the organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.
- 39 **NAPERVILLE ART LEAGUE** – Drying Rack -- Commission Recommended funding of \$771, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 40 **NAPERVILLE CARES** – Cuisine for a Cause -- Commission recommended funding of \$15,000, which was is the mode of all commissioner recommendations. Commissioner Pena noted that this is a long-standing event and the organization provides an excellent contribution.
- 41 **NAPERVILLE CHORUS** – General Operating Fund Support -- Commission recommended funding of \$2,167, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Jennifer Runestad confirmed that all commissioners were able to view the electronic application and that all recommendations were based on that application.
- 42 **NAPERVILLE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION** – NCHS Honor Garden -- Commission recommended \$0 in funding. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted that the school district has resources available to raise funds and to construct this project. Student Representative Kyle McElroy confirmed that the school does have fundraising efforts underway for this project.
- 43 **NAPERVILLE GARDEN CLUB** – Naperville House Walk and Holiday Walk and Tea -- Commission recommended \$0 in funding. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted that this event has been occurring for years and has been self-supported.
- 44 **NAPERVILLE HERITAGE SOCIETY** – All American Summer -- Commission recommended funding of \$0.
- 45 **NAPERVILLE HERITAGE SOCIETY** – Joe Naper Statue -- Commission Recommended \$0 in funding. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins feels that the park itself is fine. A statue can hold until a later date.

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- 46** **NAPERVILLE HERITAGE SOCIETY** – Naperville Summer Nights -- Commission recommended funding of \$2,514, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 47** **NAPERVILLE HERITAGE SOCIETY** – Oktoberfest -- Commission recommended funding of \$5,669 of which \$1,171 was awarded for city services. This was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 48** **NAPERVILLE MEN’S GLEE CLUB** – Enjoy Your Life! – Commission recommended funding of \$6,714, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 49** **NAPERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION** – Public Programming at the Library – Commission recommended funding at \$4,475, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted that she would support additional funding for public programming at the library and recommended funding of \$8,000. Commission members voted and recommended the average.
- 50** **NAPERVILLE WOMEN’S CLUB** – Young Adult Art Contest – Commission recommended funding at \$571, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 51** **NCTV** – Community Event Coverage – Commission recommended full funding at \$12,000.
- 52** **NCTV** – Television Series “Naperville News 17” – Commission recommended full funding at \$36,000.
- 53** **ROTARY CLUB OF NAPERVILLE** – Soup’s On! – Commission recommended funding at \$20,000. Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins praised the event and recommended funding at higher than the average. Commissioner Mary Gorecki also noted the community involvement and schools that take part in this event and recommended higher funding as well.

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- 54 **ROTARY CLUB OF NAPERVILLE SUNRISE** – Naperpalooza 2012 – Commission recommended funding at \$6,057, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 55 **SAMSKRITI FOUNDATION** – Community Enrichment Program – Commission recommended funding at \$0. Commissioners discussed a minimum amount of funding required by the organization. It was determined that no minimum was required by the organization. Commissioner Riordan also noted that the application mentioned that funds would be used for recordings that would not take place in Naperville.
- 56 **SINGING FOR SENIORS** – Singing for Seniors – Commission recommended funding at \$3,357, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 57 **SIMPLY VEDIC** – Indian Cultural Festival – Commission recommended funding at \$1,886, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 58 **SIMPLY VEDIC** – The Festival of Colors – Commission recommended funding at \$2,086, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 59 **SIMPLY VEDIC** – Naperville Vegetarian Food Festival – Commission recommended funding at \$0.
- 60 **SUMMER PLACE THEATER** – Rental Costs – Commission recommended funding at \$4,429, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 61 **SUMMER PLACE THEATER** – Royalties and Licensing – Commission recommended funding at \$4,457, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 62 **THINKGLOBAL ARTS FOUNDATION** – Celebration of Peace – Commission recommended funding at \$2,500, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.

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- 63** **TURKISH AMERICAN CULTURAL ALLIANCE** – International Children’s Day – Commission recommended funding at \$0. Chairman Lynch noted during the meeting that certain organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.
- 64** **UTKALAA CENTER FOR DANCE** – Mantra – Commission recommended \$0 in funding.
- 65** **WESTERN DUPAGE RECREATIONAL ASSOCIATION** – Visiting Artist Program – Commission recommended funding at \$0. Chairman Lynch noted during the meeting that certain organizations not awarded funding since they are not a Naperville-based organization.
- 66** **NAPERVILLE WOMEN’S CLUB** – Women’s Club Fine Art Fair – Commission recommended funding at \$11,721, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 67** **XILIN ASSOCIATION** – Asian Pacific American Heritage Festival – Commission recommended funding at \$0. Commissioner Lynch noted that the Lantern Festival is the organization’s preferred event for funding.
- 68** **XILIN ASSOCIATION** – Lantern Festival – Commission recommended funding at \$10,000. Commissioner Dvorak and Commissioner Rebecca Anderson-Wilkins noted that this is a great event and recommended higher than commissioner average.
- 69** **YOUNG NAPERVILLE SINGERS** – Administration/general operating – Commission recommended funding at \$20,643, which is the average of all commissioner recommendations.
- 70** **360 YOUTH SERVICES** – Spring Ahead Run – Commission awarded full funding for all city services at \$14,126.
- 71** **DOWNTOWN NAPERVILLE ALLIANCE** – Hometown Holidays – Commission recommended funding at \$17,151, of which \$15,029 was awarded for city services.

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- 72 EXCHANGE CLUB OF NAPERVILLE** – Ribfest – Commission awarded full funding for all city services at \$206,725.
- 73 JUDD KENDALL VFW** – Memorial Day Parade – Commission awarded full funding for all city services at \$22,248.
- 74 LITTLE FRIENDS** – Step Up for Autism Walk – Commission recommended funding at \$0. It was noted that the city services requested were not recommended by city staff. These are services that are requested by the event organizer.
- 75 NAPERVILLE ART LEAGUE** – Riverwalk Fine Art Fair – Commission recommended funding at \$25,000 of which \$1,309 is allocated for city services. Commissioners noted that this is a great event for the downtown.
- 76 NAPERVILLE EDUCATION FOUNDATION** – Run for Reading – Commission recommended full funding at \$7,648 for all city services.
- 77 NAPERVILLE JAYCEES** – Last Fling – Commission recommended full funding at \$162,962, of which \$138,962 is allocated for city services. Commissioner Pena requested a list of organizations benefitting from this event and the amount of money donated to each organization.
- 78 NAPERVILLE NOON LIONS** – Turkey Trot – Commission recommended full funding at \$12,001 for all city services.
- 79 PROJECT HELP** – Naperville Jazz Festival – Commission recommended funding at \$10,252, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Of this amount, \$764 was allocated for city services.
- 80 ROTARY CLUB OF NAPERVILLE SUNRISE** – St. Paddy’s Day 5K – Commission awarded \$3,817, which was an average of all commissioner recommendations. Of that amount, \$3,286 was allocated for city services.

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- 81 SCOTT ELEMENTARY HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION** – Scott S’Cool Scoot – Commission recommended funding at \$0. Commissioners noted that this event serves one school and is limited in its scope. Commissioners agreed that it is a great event for the school.
- 82 WEST SUBURBAN IRISH** – St. Patrick’s Day Parade – Commission awarded full funding at \$18,164 for all city services.
- 83 ARRANMORE CENTER FOR THE ARTS** – Sub”URBAN” Art – Commission recommended funding at \$0.
- 84 BRIGHTSIDE THEATER** – Theater Project – Commission recommended funding at \$0. Commissioner Lynch applauded BrightSide Theater’s efforts to correct the location of their organization. Concerns were raised over the amount of funding that the organization is requesting.
- 85 BRIGHTSIDE THEATER** – 2012-2013 Theater Programming – Commission recommended funding at \$0.
- 86 NAPERVILLE CRIMESTOPPERS** – Crimestoppers 5K – Commission recommended funding at \$9,518 to cover the costs of all city services.
- 87 LOAVES AND FISHES** – Concert to End Hunger – Commission recommended funding at \$4,000.
- 88 OPUS** – Confucius in Naperville – Commission recommended funding at \$0.
- 89 WESTERN DUPAGE SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION** – Special Talents – commission recommended funding at \$0.

Commissioner Lynch requested that the commission revisit the funding request from Century Walk at the meeting on February 11.

The commission recommended awarding \$2,207,440 out of \$2,280,440 available.

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