

# CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

# COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND CULTURAL COMMISSION

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All meetings are held in the City Council Chambers East Side of Monte Verde Street Between Ocean and 7th Avenues

SPECIAL MEETING 6/19/2017 9:00 a.m.

## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC APPEARANCES Members of the public are entitled to speak on matters of municipal concern not on the agenda during Public Appearances. Each person's comments shall be limited to 3 minutes, or as otherwise established by the Commission. Matters not appearing on Commission's agenda will not receive action at this meeting but may be referred to staff for a future meeting. Persons are not required to give their names, but it is helpful for speakers to state their names so that they may be identified in the minutes of the meeting.

#### ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Consider a second draft letter to the City Council requesting revisions to the special events grant process outlined in City Policy C16-01 (pp. 1-2)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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Janet Bombard, Library and Community Activities Director

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# Community Activities and Cultural Commission Staff Report

June 19, 2017 Orders

TO: Community Activities and Cultural Commissioners

FROM: Janet Bombard, Library and Community Activities Director

SUBJECT: Consider a second draft letter to the City Council requesting revisions to the special events

grant process outlined in City Policy C16-01 and make a recommendation to the City Council

## RECOMMENDATION

Consider the attached draft letter and make a recommendation to the City Council.

## BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

At the June 13, 2017 meeting the Community Activities and Cultural Commission considered a draft letter proposing suggestions for revisions to the special events grant process outlined in City Policy C16-01.

At that meeting the Commission decided to hold a special meeting to consider a new draft letter (Attachment 1) that will be sent to the City Council.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Draft letter requesting revisions to the special events grant process outlined in City Policy C16-01

June 14, 2017

Dear Mayor and City Council:

We the Community and Activities and Cultural Commission want to convey our concerns about the current grant funding process delineated in Special Events Policy C16-01, especially as it applies to the reoccurring non-profit event operators and the granting of funds to offset the Carmel by the Sea event fees.

Our commission did not create this policy, which prioritized the grant process. We were given it to implement. During the last fiscal year we were conscientious in applying this policy during several grant periods. This required much time and effort on our part, by staff, and even more so on the organizations applying for grants.

As we believe you are painfully aware, many of the applicants and members of our community were not supportive of the grant limits our Commission imposed. The City Council subsequently overturned our grant limitations, in effect ignoring Policy C16-01 themselves. This begs the question: Why then have the policy?

We believe the policy needs to be rethought and redone. Also, as currently written, it is confusing and the objectives are not clear.

Our commission members have several ideas about how to modify the policy and we are at your disposal to assist in any way possible. We know that we serve in an advisory capacity and this letter is intended only to convey our advice on this matter.

Sincerely,

The Community Activities and Cultural Commission