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Section 2.12.005 Name of Museum and Branches.

The collective name for all Museum facilities shall be the "Riverside Metropolitan Museum." Individual facilities may be individually named but formally referred to as part of the Riverside Metropolitan Museum. (Ord. 6838 § 1, 2, 2005)

Section 2.12.010 Metropolitan Museum Board Established.

There is hereby created, pursuant to Section 800 of the City Charter, a Museum Board for the Metropolitan Museum which shall consist of nine members appointed by the Mayor and City Council. The Museum Director or his representative shall attend all meetings of this Board and be responsible for maintaining all records and minutes. (Ord. 6824 § 1, 2005; Ord. 6786 § 3, 2005; Ord. 6393 § 4, 1997; Ord. 4770 § 1, 1980; Ord. 4081 § 1 (part), 1974)

Section 2.12.020 Duties of Metropolitan Museum Board.

The Board of the Metropolitan Museum shall have the powers, duties and functions to serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council in matters pertaining to the museum sites, scope, growth and development, care, maintenance, daily operations and activities. They shall:

- A. Make recommendations regarding extent of museum activities;
- B. Recommend the hours and days which the museum will be open to the public;
- C. Ascertain and recommend fees, where applicable, to be charged for special classes, functions, and special services;
- D. Review the annual budget for personnel and operational needs of the museum during the process of its preparation and make recommendations with respect thereto to the City Council and the City Manager;
- E. Develop specific collection and exhibition goals and policies for the museum;
- F. Make recommendations to the City Council in regards to acceptance or rejection of all proposed gifts of money or real property which are specifically designated for City museum purposes;
- G. Accept gifts of specimens and artifacts for museum use on behalf of the City, with periodic ratification of such acceptance by the City Council;
- H. Dispose of any inappropriate museum objects in accordance with needs of the museum and consistent with general provisions of the Charter;
- I. Make recommendations to the City Council in regards to contracts with Riverside County, local school districts and/or other agencies for museum services;
- J. Organize or cause to be organized one or more membership groups dedicated to the support of the museum;

K. Initiate any other recommendations to the City Council and City Manager concerning the development, care, maintenance, operation and welfare of the Riverside Metropolitan Museum, and make recommendations on such other museum matters as the City Council or City Manager may request;

L. Perform such other advisory functions relating to museum activities as may be desired by the City Council. (Ord. 6824 § 2, 2005; Ord. 4374 § 1, 1977; Ord. 4081 § 1 (part), 1974)

Section 2.12.030 Administrative Objectives.

In the conduct and administration of the Museum Department, the following objectives shall govern:

A. All collections and exhibits of the museum shall generally reflect but shall not necessarily be limited to the specific interpretations of the history, natural history and anthropology of the City and County of Riverside and the immediate environs of southern California;

B. The types, location and extent of museum facilities and programs shall be recommended to the City Council based on observed or expressed community needs. (Ord. 4374 § 2, 1977; Ord. 4081 § 1 (part), 1974)

Section 2.12.040 Title to Property.

The title to all real and personal property acquired and utilized by the municipal museum or any of its branches, when not otherwise designated by terms of its acquisition, shall vest in the City. (Ord. 4374 § 3, 1977; Ord. 4081 § 1 (part), 1974)

Section 2.12.050 Special Fund Created.

There is hereby created a special fund of the City, to be known as the "Museum Fund." Revenues derived from any allowable special fees, from the sale of inappropriate artifacts, or from any real property held in the name of the Metropolitan Museum Board, together with all moneys acquired through gift, bequest or otherwise which have been specifically designated for museum purposes, shall be deposited in the City Treasury to the credit of such fund. They shall be kept separate and apart from all other moneys of the City, and shall be devoted exclusively to museum purposes. (Ord. 6824 § 3, 2005; Ord. 4081 § 1 (part), 1974)