# MUSEUM OF RIVERSIDE BOARD MINUTES August 28, 2019

3580 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501

## **Board Members Present**

Mary Hughes, Chair Peggy Barnhart Rose Monge Karen Peterson Lovelyn Razzouk Chuck Wilson

# **City Staff Present**

Robyn G. Peterson, Museum Director Ann Lovell, Manager of Operations Toni Kinsman, Senior Office Specialist Lauren Sanchez, Deputy City Attorney

#### **Absent**

Todd Carpenter, Vice Chair Dawn Gleason Micah Tokuda

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – no public comment.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Board Chair Report** – Board Chair Hughes had no updates.

## 2. Riverside Museum Associates (RMA)

Peggy Barnhart reported that the RMA will develop an outreach program while the main museum continues to be closed; volunteers will work closely with museum staff on content. The Heritage House will re-open for tours September 6<sup>th</sup>, the Moon Festival will be September 13<sup>th</sup>, Croquet with the Mayor is September 21<sup>st</sup>, Black Veil begins October 4<sup>th</sup> (Halloween as celebrated during the late 1800s/early 1900s), Victorian Tea on November 10<sup>th</sup>, and Victorian Christmas Open House on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

## 3. Harada House Foundation (HHF)

Chuck Wilson reported that the HHF received the reports from both architectural firms regarding the rehabilitation of Harada House. The vision, phases, and costs associated with each of the firms report vary. An in-depth evaluation will take place for each report to determine similarities.

4. Director's update regarding strategic planning, main museum renovation and expansion, historic houses, staffing, collections, exhibitions and programs, and marketing and communications.

Robyn Peterson gave a brief overview of each item in her agenda report.

5. Presentation from City Attorney's Office regarding Conflict of Interest and Ethics

**Training** given by Deputy City Attorney, Lauren Sanchez.

#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION CALENDAR

# 6. Approval of minutes for the meeting held on July 10, 2019

The minutes were approved as written.

Motion: Board Member Wilson Second: Board Member Barnhart

Ayes: Board Members Barnhart, Hughes, Monge, Peterson, Wilson

Abstain: Board Member Razzouk

# 7. Determine whether the Board member absence from the July 10, 2019 meeting should be recorded as an excused or unexcused

The absences of Dawn Gleason, Lovelyn Razzouk, and Micah Tokuda were approved as excused due to work.

Motion: Board Member Wilson Second: Board Member Monge

Ayes: Board Members Barnhart, Hughes, Monge, Peterson, Wilson

Abstain: Board Member Razzouk

## 8. Accession of eight historic postcards

The Museum Board recommends to the City Council to approve the accession into the permanent collection of eight (8) historic postcards.

Motion: Board Member Wilson Second: Board Member Barnhart

Ayes: All

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (written reports are requested for each Committee update)

- **9. Museum Budget Committee** no report.
- **10. Board Development Committee** minutes from the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting were included in the agenda packet.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

- 11. This is the portion of the meeting specifically set aside to invite your comments regarding any items within the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Museum Board. No items discussed.
- 12. Brief reports on conferences, seminars, and meetings attended by Riverside Metropolitan Museum Board members no report.
- **13.** Items for future Riverside Metropolitan Museum Board consideration as requested by Board members Board member Wilson requested an item on frequency of Board meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

The next regular Metropolitan Museum Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Museum conference room.