NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54956 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Special meeting of the **TRACY ARTS COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

NOTE TIME AND LOCATION*

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

(or as soon thereafter as possible)

Location: Grand Theatre, Visual Arts I

715 Central Ave., Tracy, CA

Government Code Section 54954.3 states that every public meeting shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Tracy Arts Commission on any item, before or during consideration of the item, however no action shall be taken on any item not on the agenda.

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- 3. Items from the Audience In accordance with <u>Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings</u>, adopted by Resolution 2008-140 any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting, shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a **Tracy Arts Commission Member** to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting.
- 4. Approve Special Event Subcommittees' recommendations for "Music in the Park" Entertainment and Start Date and Approve Emerging Artists Program and Audition Dates.
- 5. Items from the Commission
- 6. Items from Staff
- 7. Adjournment

POSTED: April 20, 2010

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CITY OF TRACY TRACY ARTS COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING April 27, 2010

AGENDA ITEM 4

REQUEST

APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT SUBCOMMITTEES' RECOMMENDIAIONS FOR "MUSIC IN THE PARK" ENTERTAIMENT AND START DATE AND APPROVE EMERGING ARTISTS PROGRAM AND AUDITION DATES

DISCUSSION

The Special Events Subcommittee met on March 19, 2010, and April 9, 2010, to discuss the upcoming events for 2010; Music in the Park Series.

The concerts are held each Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. in Lincoln Park for up to eight consecutive weeks in the months of June and July. It is planned that six concerts will be held this year. The Special Events Subcommittee recommends the first concert to be held June 17, 2010. The following recommendations are the proposed artists for the 2010 "Music in the Park" series.

Genre	1 st Choice	2 nd Choice	3 rd Choice
Swing	Stompy Jones	Tracy Swing Band	N/A
Country	Johnny Cash Tribute	Houston Jones	N/A
Latin	Kaweh	Kool Katz	N/A
Rock/Cover Band	Cocktail Monkies	Departure	Jukebox Heroes
Classical/Jazz	Valley Concert Band	Delta Wires	Big Cat

Once the artist line up is approved, staff will begin negotiations on behalf of the Tracy Arts Commission for exact fees and availability for the dates. In case an artist is unavailable, the artist listed as second or third choice may be substituted.

The Special Events Subcommittee expressed their preferences of what genres were preferred if for budgetary reasons more or less than five concerts were to be held. If funds allow for a full six concerts staff will attempt to split rock and cover band into two concerts or Classical and Jazz into two concerts as a second option. If the number of concerts have to be reduced than removing the Swing genre is the first option and Classical/Jazz as second.

The Special Events Subcommittee also recommended continuing The Emerging Artist program at the April 9, 2010, meeting. Emerging Artist is a young artist under the age of 18 that sings the National Anthem prior to the concert at the Music in the Park series. The Arts Commission conducts auditions for the youths to sing a'cappella and then selects a singer for each of the summer concerts. The Subcommittee has recommended the new age range of 10 to 18 years of age. The schedule for the Emerging Artist Auditions is as follows:

May 8, 2010
May 15, 2010
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 pm.
12:00 p.m. to 3:00 pm.

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The subcommittee will bring back its recommendations of Emerging Artists for approval by the Tracy Arts Commission at the next regular meeting on May 11, 2010.

FISCAL IMPACT

The budget for the 2010 "Music in the Park" entertainment fees is \$8,000.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Special Event Subcommittees' recommendations for "Music in the Park" Entertainment and Start Date and Approve Emerging Artists Program and Audition Dates.