



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date:** August 21, 2007  
**To:** Honorable Mayor & City Council  
**From:** Patty Ogden, Assistant City Clerk  
**Subject:** Fine Art Commission Interview Panel Report

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**INTRODUCTION**

The Fine Art Commission Interview Panel composed of Councilmembers Linda Briskman and Nancy Krasne and Fine Art Commission Chair Susan Gersh and Vice Chair Brooke Kanter met on Wednesday, August 8, 2007. The panel interviewed thirteen candidates for the vacancies on the Commission.

**DISCUSSION**

After discussion and careful review, it was the consensus of the Panel to recommend that Judith A. Friedman and Terri Smooke fill the two current vacancies and take their positions immediately, and Fiona Chalom, Ph.D. be appointed to the position that will be vacated by Nan Corman in October, 2007.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Fine Art Commission Interview Panel recommends that the City Council appoint Judith A. Friedman, Terri Smooke and Fiona Chalom, Ph.D. to the Fine Art Commission. With the concurrence of the Council, a formal report will be prepared for adoption at the September 4, 2007 Formal City Council meeting.

In addition, the Panel requests that the remaining candidates be thanked and advised that they each gave thoughtful and compelling answers to the questions posed by the Panel. The City is fortunate to have such a strong applicant pool and the applicants are encouraged to re-apply and attend as many future Fine Art Commission meetings as possible. In addition, those applicants who have not participated in Team Beverly Hills are urged to do so.

Patty Ogden   
Approved By