



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: August 19, 2014
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: Lourdes Sy-Rodriguez
Deputy City Clerk
Subject: Fine Art Commission Interview Panel Report

INTRODUCTION

The Fine Commission (FAC) Interview Panel composed of Mayor Lili Bosse, Vice Mayor Julian A. Gold, MD, FAC Chair Sandra Pressman and FAC Vice Chair Brenda Potter met on Thursday, August 7, 2014 and interviewed ten candidates for the upcoming vacancy on the Commission.

DISCUSSION

After discussion and careful review, the Panel recommends **Michael Smooke** to fill the position of Commissioner Fiona Chalom whose term is scheduled to end on October 16, 2014. Due to the ongoing restructuring of all City Commission terms, the start date for Mr. Smooke is yet to be determined. Commissioner Chalom will serve until Mr. Smooke has been seated. Mr. Smooke must attend all FAC meetings leading up to his appointment.

RECOMMENDATION

The FAC Interview Panel recommends that the City Council appoint Michael Smooke to the FAC. With the concurrence of the Council, a formal report will be prepared for adoption at the September 2, 2014 Regular 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 an extraordinary applicant pool and the applicants are encouraged to re-apply for upcoming vacancies and attend as many future FAC meetings as possible. In addition, those applicants who have not participated in Team Beverly Hills are urged to do so.

Byron Pope
Approved By