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From: Krell, Rebekah <rebekah.krell@sfgov.org>
To: pdateh <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Do I have to be at the meeting next Monday?
Date: Sun, Dec 2, 2012 9:02 pm

Hello Paula,

No, you do not need to be at the full commission meeting. Once the commission passes the motion, you'll be able to come into the office with your documentation and receive your license, as explained in the email Howard sent to you twice.

Best,

Rebekah

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On 11/26/12 10:30 AM, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]> wrote:

>Rebekah:

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>I explained to you last week, when I was in your office

>that Howard Lazar has always refused to communicate.

>In years past when I got him on the phone to answer

>a question, he refused to answer and instead used the

>call to scream something and hang up.

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From: Paula Datesh <[REDACTED]>
To: jdbeltra <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Fwd:
Date: Fri, Nov 30, 2012 2:11 pm

Paula Datesh

-----Original Message-----

From: Paula Datesh <[REDACTED]>
To: rebeka.krell <rebeka.krell@sfgov.org>
Sent: Fri, Nov 30, 2012 2:08 pm

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To: jdbeltrair <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Fwd: Howard Lazar
Date: Fri, Nov 30, 2012 8:21 am

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From: [REDACTED] m
Date: November 30, 2012, 8:16:54 AM PST
To: [REDACTED] u" <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Howard Lazar

Commissioner Beltrain:

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I was in Rebeka Krell's office about 3 weeks ago. She said she would help. To date, she has not responded to emails or voice messages.

If Lazar is going to quote from the Bluebookay (an out of date and out of print book) he needs to either post it in the public domain (www.sanfranciscoartscommission.org). As usual, I have no idea what is going on. I am on the East Coast as want to know if I have to attend a meeting.

Additionally, I went to the last Street Artist Meeting. I filed out a speaker card and when I began to speak under public comment- I was told I was trespassing. My comments were not recorded. Instead, I was slandered by yet another Street Artist who I do not know- without evidence.

As always, Lazar needs to communicate in a more effective manner and run his meetings in accordance with the Sunshine Ordinance.

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To: jdbeltran <[REDACTED]>; jdbeltran <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Howard Lazar

Date: Sun, Dec 2, 2012 3:27 am

Dear Commissioner Beltran:

Howard Lazar had his yearly meeting with MMJM Managment- the sub contractor of the Union Squate

Busi Ed's Improvment District last week. He gave out maps of the street artist spaces and told them that I-Paula Datesh was on probation in San Francisco.

I am not on probation and this is slander. Lazar further said-I had a fake permit and to call police when they see me. I do not have a fake permit. I have this information On good authority. I have not worked in that jurisdiction in over 6 years and find it odd that Lazar should take the opportunity to slander me again.

U have not heard from anyone at the SDAC about if need to be at this Monday's full commission meeting. Since no one picks up the phone over there or responds to emails- I have no chicest but to interrupt a show I am in to fly to SF to attend this meeting.

I will be speaking about this recent event to urge the Commission to police Lazar.

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To: victor.pacheo <victor.pacheo@sfgov.org>; cynthia.goldman <cynthia.goldman@sfgov.org>
Subject: Fwd: Possible waiver of 15-day requirement in obtaining a street artist certificate
Date: Thu, Nov 29, 2012 10:24 am

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: November 28, 2012, 1:24:23 PM PST
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Not the usual 3-4 weeks. Additionally,
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On Nov 28, 2012, at 9:38 AM, "Lazar, Howard" <howard.lazar@sfgov.org> wrote:

Dear Ms. Datesh:

It is our understanding that you are asking again about the procedure involved in obtaining your street artist certificate through a waiver of the 15-day requirement in obtaining the certificate. Please see the full explanation (in the second e-mail below) which was sent to you by e-mail on November 21st. The explanation acknowledges your having exceeded by 1 day the 15 days allotted to all applicants to purchase their certificate after their wares have been examined and approved. Our e-mail also

requested you to inform us in writing by November 27th if you still wished to obtain your certificate "so that your name may be placed on the agenda of the full Arts Commission meeting of December 3" for the Commission to consider approving "a waiver of the 15-day requirement for you."

On the same day, November 21st, you replied to us by e-mail of your intent to obtain your certificate. You stated (in the first e-mail below): "... Put my name on the convent calandrar for Dec. 3 2012z ..." We understand that your words "convent calandrar" were misspellings of "consent calendar". We therefore have placed your request on the December 3rd agenda. It is placed not as a Consent Calendar item because it was not previously heard by committee. It is placed as an item under the Street Artists Committee report, and it states: "Motion to approve request by applicant for waiver of 15-day requirement for obtaining a certificate: Paula Datesh."

Sincerely,

Howard Lazar
Street Artists Program Director

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: November 21, 2012, 2:09:11 PM PST
To: "Lazar, Howard"
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Subject: Re: Possible waiver of 15-day requirement in obtaining a street artist certificate

As I said in a phone conversation of
Rebeka Krell yesterday-
Put my name on the convent calandrar
for Dec. 3 2012z
Since you refused to communicate- I
spent the remainder
of the day int the City Attorney's
Office. Your temper tantrums are
affecting my health and costing me
time and
money.

On Nov 21, 2012, at 1:25 PM, "Lazar,
Howard" <howard.lazar@sfgov.org>
wrote:

Dear Ms. Datesh:

Applicants for street artist certificates, after
their wares are examined and approved,
have 15 work days to purchase their
certificate. This is to inform you that you
exceeded the 15-day requirement: your
last day to purchase a certificate was
Friday, November 16.

Applicants who exceed the 15-day
requirement and who still wish to obtain a
certificate may submit their names for Arts
Commission approval of a waiver of the 15
-day requirement for them. Should you
wish to obtain a certificate, **please inform
us of this in writing by next Tuesday,
November 27**, so that your name may be
placed on the agenda of the full Arts
Commission meeting of December 3.
Should the Arts Commission approve a
waiver of the 15-day requirement for you,
you would be able to purchase a certificate
on December 4 at the Street Artists
Program office. You would be required to
bring a copy of a valid California Seller's
Permit, a copy of a valid San Francisco
Business Tax Registration Certificate, and
a check or money order for \$166.02 (for a
3-month certificate) or \$664.08 (for a 1-
year certificate).

Please inform us by Tuesday, November 27, as to whether you wish to request a waiver of the 15-day requirement to purchase a certificate. **If you do not request the waiver by Tuesday, November 27th, your name will not be on the agenda of the Arts Commission's meeting of December 3.**

Sincerely,

Howard Lazar

Street Artists Program Director

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