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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF
CERTIFICATE OR RENEWAL
(based on ongoing and/or serious violation of Street
Artists Ordinance)**

DATE: May 23, 2017

STREET ARTIST: Jeff Potter
CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 7568
ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Potter:

A **report** has been filed with the Arts Commission that you allegedly violated the Street Artist Ordinance (Ord. 41-83) on the following date and in the following manner:

May 20, 2017 – Improper conduct of business: physically assaulting a street artist (Jessica Harrigfeld) en route to street artist business location

Please see attached copy of report by Street Artists Program Market Manager.

The above alleged violation is considered by the Street Artists Program Director to be a serious violation of the Street Artists Ordinance. Please see the attached “NOTICE TO STREET ARTISTS” describing the Arts Commission’s procedures with respect to such violations.

This is to inform you that because of the nature of the above charge, the Street Artists Program Director on behalf of the Executive Director (the Director of Cultural Affairs) **intends to recommend that the Arts Commission’s Street Artists Committee deny renewal of your certificate.**

You are welcome to make an appointment (telephone: (415) 252-2213) to meet with the Program Director in a public meeting at the Arts Commission office to discuss the above report and to request consideration of issuance of a certificate.

Should you choose *not* to meet with the Program Director, the Program Director's decision to recommend denial of renewal of your certificate will be listed on the agenda of the Street Artists Committee for a **"HEARING AND POSSIBLE MOTION TO APPROVE PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION OF DENIAL OF CERTIFICATE OR RENEWAL."** If the hearing occurs after the expiration of your current certificate, your certificate will not be renewed pending notice of the Street Artists Committee decision, if so, to renew. ***PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE COMMITTEE HEARING MAY NOT NECESSARILY BE SCHEDULED PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF YOUR CURRENT CERTIFICATE, DUE TO THE COMMITTEE'S POSSIBLE BACKLOG OF AGENDA ITEMS, LACK OF QUORUM, OR OTHER REASONS. IF THAT HAPPENS, YOU WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO SELL UNTIL AFTER A DECISION IS MADE, IF SO, TO RENEW YOUR CERTIFICATE.***

Prior to the scheduling of a hearing with the Committee, however, you may wish to meet with the Program Director (in a public hearing) at the Arts Commission to discuss the report and **to request consideration of renewal of your certificate.** If you are willing to sign a statement attesting to understanding the Street Artist Ordinance and promising to comply with the law, under penalty of perjury, the Program Director will sign as a witness to such assurance and will authorize in writing the renewal of your certificate.

The following dates and times are available for a meeting with the Program Director:

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Friday, June 2, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Friday, June 9, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

If you decide to meet with the Program Director, please inform this office as to one of the above dates you choose.

Sincerely,

Howard Lazar
Street Artists Program Director
Arts Commission

Attachments

Cc: All Arts Commissioners, Street Artists Committee
Director of Cultural Affairs Tom DeCaigny