

## VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Thursday, March 18, 2021 . 6:30 PM Minutes

**Members in Attendance:** Suzanne Greenwald, Edwin Massie, Richard Rudder, Dr. M. Jean Russell, Joan Suarez

Members Absent: None

Also participating: Bwayne Smotherson, Council Liaison; Lynda Euell-Taylor, Staff Liaison

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Richard Ruder, Chairperson

Approval of Agenda: None

Approval of Minutes: None

**Treasure's Report**: None; Due to the term end for \_\_\_\_\_, a new treasurer will need to be appointed.

## Chairperson's Comments: Old Business

Chairperson Rudder indicated at the last CALOP meeting the Commission had voted to award \$10,000 from their matching grants funds program to Continuity St. Louis. Chairperson Rudder moved to proceed with this commitment. Seconded by Ms. Suarez. Approved by acclimation.

Chairperson Rudder also indicated the Commission had also voted to award \$10,000 from their matching funds grants program to a third organization - \_\_\_\_\_\_ to present a film conference. Chairperson Rudder indicating the conference was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic and request the funds be held until the conference could be presented.

Chairperson Rudder shared his thoughts for the future direction of CALOP, which included providing \$250,000 in funds to create a video center to be housed in the third ward and proposed this be a topic of discussion for the next meeting.

## Council Liaison Comments:

Councilmember Smotherson provided a brief update on the Olive/I170 development.

Next Meeting Date: TBD; possibly Thursday, July 15, 2021 beginning at 6:30 pm

**Adjournment**: At 6:52 pm; Motion by Chairperson Rudder, Seconded by Ms. Suarez. Approved by acclamation.