



Civic Arts Commission Meeting
Wednesday, September 25, 2024
6:00 PM

Meeting Location: Tarea Hall Pittman South Branch Library
1901 Russell St, Berkeley, CA 94703

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

- Kim Anno, Mayor
- Jonathan Bachrach, District 1
- Dana Blecher (Chair), District 6
- Lisa Bullwinkel, District 4
- Modesto Covarrubias, District 7
- Kathleen Crandall, District 8
- Cristina Ibarra, District 3
- Eduardo Pineda, District 5
- Cameron Woo (Vice Chair), District 2

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The City of Berkeley recognizes that the community we live in was built on the territory of Huchiun (*Hooch-yoon*), the ancestral and unceded land of the Chochenyo (*Cho-chen-yo*) speaking Ohlone (*Oh-low-nee*) people, the ancestors and descendants of the sovereign Verona (*Vuh-roh-nuh*) Band of Alameda County. This land was and continues to be of great importance to all of the Ohlone Tribes and descendants of the Verona Band. We acknowledge and honor the original inhabitants of Berkeley, the documented 5,000-year history of a vibrant community at the West Berkeley Shellmound, and the Ohlone people who continue to reside in the East Bay. We recognize that Berkeley residents have and continue to benefit from the use and occupation of this unceded stolen land since the City of Berkeley incorporation in 1878. As stewards of the laws regulating the City of Berkeley, it is not only vital that we recognize the history of this land, but also recognize that the Ohlone people are present members of Berkeley and other East Bay communities today. The City

of Berkeley will continue to build relationships with the Lisjan (*Lih-Shawn*) Tribe and create meaningful actions that uphold the intention of this Land Acknowledgement.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda)

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a) Debrief on Commission Retreat
- b) Results of budget referral request at 9/24 Council Meeting

6. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS (All items for presentation, discussion and possible action)

- a) **Action Item:** Approval of Final FY25 Civic Arts Commission Work Plan Revision to wording of previously approved FY25 Work Plan, Item: 3. in Public Art Subcommittee section – changes in red: “**Contingent on obtaining funding, Conduct review an impact** fee nexus study and evaluate possible amendments to the Public Art in Private Development Ordinance.”
Introduced by Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer (Attachment 1)
Recommendation: Approve Final FY25 Civic Arts Commission Work Plan
Public Comment
- b) **Action Item:** FY25 Public Art Budget Approval
Introduced by Modesto Covarrubias, Public Art Subcommittee Chair and Presented by Mark Salinas, Public Art Program Lead (Attachment 2)
Recommendation: Approve FY25 Public Art Budget
Public Comment

7. STAFF REPORT

- a) Civic Arts Program Updates, Jen Lovvorn
- b) Grants Program Updates, Hilary Amnah
- c) Public Art Program Updates, Mark Salinas

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants
 - Dana Blecher, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel

- Cameron Woo
- b) Public Art
 - Modesto Covarrubias, Chair
 - Kim Anno
 - Eduardo Pineda
- c) Policy Subcommittee
 - Kim Anno, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Cameron Woo
- d) Joint Subcommittee with Housing Advisory Commission
 - Kim Anno, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Kathleen Crandall
 - Cameron Woo
- e) Representative on Design Review Committee
 - Cameron Woo

9. COMMUNICATION (Received from the Public for Items not on the Agenda)

- a) None

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Draft Minutes of July 24, 2024 Meeting (Attachment 3)
From: Commission Secretary
Recommendation: Approval of July 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- b) Draft Minutes of September 15, 2024 Special Meeting (Attachment 4)
From: Commission Secretary
Recommendation: Approval of September 15, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes

11. ADJOURNMENT

Attachments:

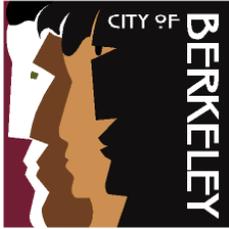
1. Final FY25 Civic Arts Commission Work Plan
2. FY25 Public Art Budget
3. Draft Minutes of July 24, 2024 Meeting
4. Draft Minutes of September 15, 2024 Special Meeting

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Civic Arts Commission

Final Civic Arts Commission FY25 Work Plan

September 25, 2024 Civic Arts Commission

Policy Subcommittee

1. Continue participation with staff and in consultation with the Housing Advisory Commission to advise on the development of policies and initiatives to create affordable housing for Artists and Cultural Workers in the City of Berkeley culminating in a referral response to City Council and advocacy to fund resulting affordable housing programs.
2. Advocate for the designation of an arts district in West Berkeley.

Grants Subcommittee

1. Advocate year-round to Council for increased funding allocations for the Community Festivals Grants and the Capital Projects Grants.
2. Pending approval of a potential Arts Funding Ballot Measure, participate with staff in development of new Arts Funding Grant categories and provide oversight on the implementation of that program.

Public Art Subcommittee

1. Participate with staff and a consultant in the development of a Public Art Strategic Plan for the City of Berkeley with input from the community and other stakeholders, which will provide a framework for developing new public art projects, funding for community-initiated public art projects, and evaluation of Council referrals for public art, as well as updating the Public Art Guidelines and other City Policies to reflect best practices.
2. Complete backlog of public art projects identified in previous fiscal years (Attachment 1) and the Public Art Strategic Plan before initiating new public art projects for implementation by Civic Arts staff.
3. Contingent on obtaining funding, review an impact fee nexus study and evaluate possible amendments to the Public Art in Private Development Ordinance.

**Attachment 1: List of Public Art Projects Included in Previous Fiscal Years (FY19 – FY24)
Work Plans and Council Referrals**

Active (Listed Alphabetically):

1. Aquatic Park tile wall
2. BART Plaza Sound Installation (Ongoing programming and equipment repair)
3. Framed Art Purchases for City Buildings
4. Home sculpture de-installation
5. Homelessness Social Practice: Daniel Freeman Project
6. Homelessness Social Practice: Deirdre Weinberg Project
7. Homelessness Social Practice: Sue Mark Project
8. Jean LaMarr sculptural seating and grinding rock at Ohlone Park
9. Lara Kaur artwork at West Service Center
10. Measure T-1: MLK Youth Service Center
11. Measure T-1: Willard Clubhouse
12. Municipal Artists in Residence with Planning
13. Peace Wall Conservation
14. Po Shu Wang Signage and Bell
15. Re-installation of Romare Bearden artwork
16. Turtle Island Monument
17. Utility Box Mural Program (Assessment and Implementation of Recommendations)
18. William Wareham sculpture conservation and reinstallation

Not Started (Listed in Prioritized Order):

1. Eric Powell Gates Conservation
2. Santa Fe Right of Way Park
3. Dona Spring Memorial (Council Referral)
4. Measure T-1: South Berkeley Senior Center (Building project not yet started)
5. Measure T-1: African American Health Resource Center (Building project not yet started)
6. Aquatic Park sculpture
7. City Flag, Song, and Motto (Council Referral)
8. Hidden Gems: Berkeley Hills Stairways
9. Mural Commemorating Black Lives Matter Movement
10. Telegraph Avenue Public Art Project
11. Telegraph Crosswalk Murals (Council Referral)
12. Harrison Street Corridor Project
13. Replacement Mural for Center for Independent Living (Council Referral)
14. Family Friendly Art (Council Referral)

	Measure T1 - FY25		
	Fund 511		
	Date: 9/11/24		
	FY25 FUNDING		Amount
1	FY24 Carryforward Total Balance		\$623,928.91
2	FY24 "Art" Carry Forward Balance	\$545,000.00	
3	FY24 "Administration" Carry Forward Balance	\$78,928.91	
4	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$623,928.91
	FY25 ADMINISTRATION FUNDING	Available Funding	Budget
5	FY25 Available Admin Funding	\$78,928.91	
6	Projected Employee Costs		\$ 10,000.00
7	Professional Services: Chandra Cerrito: Willard Clubhouse		\$ 23,500
8	Unallocated Admin in FY25	Carryforward to FY26	\$ 45,428.91
9	TOTAL ADMIN FUND AVAILABLE	\$0.00	\$ 78,928.91
10	FY25 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		\$ 545,000
11	FY25 Available Art Funding	\$545,000.00	
12	Artist Contract: Willard		\$ 150,000.00
13	Panel honorarium		\$ 3,000
14	Artist proposal		\$ 3,000
15	Artist travel		\$ 3,000
16	Photography/Documentation		\$ 1,000
17	Plaque Costs		\$ 2,000
18	Artist Contract: MLK YAP		\$ 105,000
19	Panel honorarium		\$ 3,000
20	Artist proposal		\$ 3,000
21	Artist travel		\$ 3,000
22	Photography/Documentation		\$ 1,000
23	Plaque Costs		\$ 2,000
24	Artist Contract: South Berkeley Senior Center		\$ 105,000
25	Panel honorarium		\$ 3,000
26	Artist proposal		\$ 3,000
27	Artist travel		\$ 3,000
28	Photography/Documentation		\$ 1,000
29	Plaque Costs		\$ 2,000
30	Artist Contract: African American Holistic Resource Center		\$ 105,000
31	Panel honorarium		\$ 3,000
32	Artist proposal		\$ 3,000
33	Artist travel		\$ 3,000
34	Photography/Documentation		\$ 1,000
35	Plaque Costs		\$ 2,000
36	Contingency		\$ 32,000
37	Subtotal	\$0.00	\$ 545,000.00
38	Total Budget	\$0.00	\$ 623,928.91

PUBLIC ART FUND BUDGET - FY25			Budget
Fund 150			
Date: 9/11/2024			
FY25 FUNDING			Amount
1	FY24 Carryforward Total Balance		\$195,192.91
2	FY24 "Art" Carry Forward Balance	\$157,181.99	
3	FY24 "Administration" Carry Forward Balance	\$ 13,698.24	
4	FY24 "Conservation" Carry Forward Balance	\$ 18,812.68	
5	Encumbrances Carried Forward from FY24	\$5,500.00	
6	FY25 Total Allocations		\$62,199.50
7	FY25 1.75% Allocation (Annual Capital Budget June 2024)	\$62,199.50	
8	PW Reconciliation FY24 1.75% Allocation		
9	PRW Reconciliation FY24 1.75% Allocation		
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR FY25			\$257,392.41
FY25 BUDGET EXPENSES			Budget
PUBLIC ART FUND ADMINISTRATION FUNDING			Available Funding
10	FY25 Available Admin Funding	\$26,138.14	Budget
11	Projected Admin Costs FY25		\$0.00
12	Unallocated Admin Funds carry forward to FY26		\$ 26,138.14
Subtotal			\$0.00
CONSERVATION PROJECTS			Available Funding
13	FY25 Available Conservation Funding	\$25,032.63	Budget
14	Wehrle graffiti abatement		\$ 9,600.00
15	Unallocated Conservation Funds in FY25	If not used, will carry forward to next year	\$ 15,432.63
Subtotal			\$0.00
ART PROJECTS			
16	FY25 Available Art Funding	\$206,221.64	
17	BART Plaza Ambient Sound Installation Commission	Spiritual Technologies (4 +\$1,500 video + \$1,500 travel)	\$ 7,000.00
18	James McKee encumbrance carryforward	Sound Contract - \$1500 still encumbered	\$ 1,500.00
19	BART Plaza Sound Compositions	2 sound installations at \$5,000/each - Contract for 2 in FY24	\$ 10,000.00
20	BART Plaza Artwork Plaques	3 signs at \$200 ea.	\$ 600.00
21	BART Plaza Sound Installations Technician	Technical Assistance with System/Component Replacement	\$ 50,000.00
22	Xian contract carryforward	Home Sculpture Removal - Transport	\$ 4,000.00
23	2D Art Purchases for City Buildings		\$ 49,000.00
24	Artwork Preparator to Install Purchased Works		\$ 10,000.00
Other Projects from Work Plan (Not Yet Started)			
25	Council Referral for City Flag	Estimate	\$ 25,000.00
26	Collection Signage Program		\$ 30,000.00
27	Unallocated Art Funds in FY24	If not used, will carry forward to next year	\$ 19,121.64
28	Subtotal		\$0.00
29	Total Budget	\$ -	\$ 257,392.41

PUBLIC ART ON PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT FUNDS BUDGET - FY25			Budget
Fund 148			
Date: 9/11/2024			
FY25 FUNDING			Amount
1	FY24 Carryforward Total Balance		\$2,930,428.18
2	FY24 "Art" Carry Forward Balance	\$1,732,003.92	
3	Art Encumbrance Carryforward from FY24	\$139,522.56	
4	FY24 "Administration" Carry Forward Balance	\$576,304.06	
5	Admin Encumbrance Carry Forward from FY24	\$10,835.93	
6	FY24 "Conservation" Carry Forward Balance	\$56,217.41	
7	Conservation Encumbrance Carry Forward from FY24	\$415,544.30	
8	In-Lieu Payments for FY25		\$224,214.47
9	2067 University	\$36,711.74	
10	2434 SAN PABLO	\$9,600.00	
11	1773 Oxford	\$30,548.77	
12	2590 BANCROFT	\$110,964.00	
13	2317 Channing	\$23,274.81	
14	2555 Colledge	\$13,115.15	
15	On-Site Art Admin Fees for FY25		\$23,274.81
16	2403 SAN PABLO	\$23,274.81	
17	Bayer Community Benefit Payment for FY25	148-21-208-252-0000-000-000-441310-	\$63,672.00
18	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR FY24		\$3,241,589.46
FY25 PUBLIC ART FUND ADMINISTRATION FUNDING			Available Funding
19	FY25 Available Admin Funding	\$644,717.28	
20	Projected Admin Costs FY25 (CAC)		\$116,780.00
21	Encumbrance Carryforward: Jeremy Kaplan	Admin	\$2,948.53
22	Encumbrance Carryforward: Chandra Cerrito	Admin	\$7,887.40
23	Cube Space Curator: William Hernandez Luege		\$8,400.00
24	Public Art Coordination: Adriana Grino		\$49,500.00
25	Unallocated Admin in FY25	Carryforward to FY26	\$459,201.35
26	Subtotal	\$0.00	\$644,717.28
FY25 BUDGET PROJECTS			Budget
CONSERVATION PROJECTS			
27	FY25 Available Conservation Funding	\$523,825.17	
28	Total	\$523,825.17	
29	Encumbrance Carryforward: Preservation Arts -- Contract 32200133	Conservation	\$133,628.12
30	Romare Bearden conservation - based on estimate		\$28,000.00
31	Balance for "As-needed" services	any balance remaining at end of year to be rolled over to FY25	
32	Encumbrance Carryforward: Athowe Fine Arts -- Contract 32300137	As-Needed Services - Art and Conservation	\$232,416.18
33	Mildred Howard Install		\$41,848.26
34	Balance for "As-needed" services	any balance remaining at end of year to be rolled over to FY25	
35	ARG Conservation	As-Needed Services - Art and Conservation	\$100,000.00
36	Peace Wall conservation		\$95,310.17
37	Complete Selvin		
38	Purchase Order with Pres Arts - Wehrle Graffiti abatement		\$2,998.00
39	Unallocated Available Funds in FY25		\$54,782.87
40	Subtotal	\$0.00	\$523,825.17
ART PROJECTS			
41	FY25 Available Art Funding	\$2,073,047.01	
42	Total	\$2,073,047.01	
43	Municipal Artist in Residence	Encumbrance Carryforward: Kala Art Institute	\$10,150.00
44	Municipal Artist in Residence	Increase contract with Kala for FY25 by \$5150	\$5,150.00
45	Turtle Island Monument		
46	New planning contracts		\$90,000.00
47	Encumbrance Carryforward: Scott Parsons: Design consultation for Turtle Island Monument	Art	\$9,750.00
48	Encumbrance Carryforward: Marlene Watson consultation for Turtle Island Monument		\$20,616.00
49	Encumbrance Carryforward: Lee Sprague consultation for Turtle Island Monument		\$29,552.00
50	Jean LaMarr Project at Ohlone Park	Artist contract	\$12,000.00
51	Fabrication of Jean LaMarr artwork elements		\$105,000.00
52	Installation of Jean LaMarr artwork elements		\$15,000.00
53	HOMELESSNESS SOCIAL PRACTICE PROJECTS	Three projects	
54	Daniel Freeman contract		\$5,000.00
55	Sue Mark Contract		\$10,500.00
56	Deirdre Weinberg contract		\$11,500.00
57	Wang Po Shu - Earthsong Bell Sign		\$15,454.56
58	Installation of Wang Po Shu - Earthsong Bell Sign		\$5,000.00
59	Utility Box Mural Program (Pilot Reboot)	New murals and removal of wrap	\$60,000.00
60	CUBE SPACE		
61	Kira expenses		\$830.00
62	Cube Space Artist Fees	2000 x 3	\$6,000.00
63	Cube Space Signage	450 x 3	\$1,350.00
64	Photography Cube Space	500 x 3	\$1,500.00
65	Window cleaning	400 x 3	\$1,200.00
66	Mildred Howard Sculpture		
67	Mildred Howard signage expense		\$6,091.00
68	Mildred Howard event coordinator expense		\$2,400.00
69	Program for event		\$187.98
70	Mildred Howard sculpture cleaning for event - Pres Arts PO		\$300.00
71	Mildred Howard event ASL expense		\$220.00
72	Mildred Howard photo expense		\$750.00
73	West Service Center Photo Project by Lara Kaur	Artist contract	\$15,000.00
74		Kaur install	\$20,000.00
75	Alice Kao - Berkeley Art Works Project		\$10,000.00
76	Aquatic Park Public Art		
77	Aquatic Park Tile Mural Project	Masako Miki Contract (budget install in FY26)	\$69,000.00
78	Aquatic Park Sculpture New Selection Process	Panelist fees and artist proposal fees and travel	\$15,000.00
79	Aquatic Park Sculpture	FY26 or FY27?	\$400,000.00
80	Santa Fe Railroad Right of Way	Panelist fees and artist proposal fees and travel	\$15,000.00
81	Add funds to Measure T1 Artworks		
82	MLK Youth Service Center	Funds from 148 to augment Measure T-1 Funds	\$337,000.00
83	African American Health Resource Center	Funds from 148 to augment Measure T-1 Funds	\$150,000.00
84	South Berkeley Senior Center	Funds from 148 to augment Measure T-1 Funds	\$150,000.00
85	GENERAL PUBLIC ART COSTS		
86	Photography of public art projects		\$8,000.00
87	Graphic Design (Exhibition Announcements + Signage)		\$4,000.00
88	Installers		\$1,500.00
89	Public Art Strategic Plan Consultant		\$110,000.00
90	Other Projects from Work Plan (Not Yet Started)		
91	Telegraph Ave crosswalk/street murals	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
92	Telegraph Ave Art Plan	\$121,923.92	\$0.00
93	Hidden Gems (Berkeley pathways and stairs)		\$175,000.00
94	BLM Mural on Gilman on BART column	\$70,000.00	\$0.00
95	Harrison Street Artwork	\$75,000.00	\$0.00
96	Dona Spring Memorial		\$150,000.00
97	Contingency		\$18,045.47
98	Subtotal	\$0.00	\$2,073,047.01
99	Total Budget	\$0.00	\$3,241,589.46



Draft Minutes
Civic Arts Commission Meeting
Wednesday, July 24, 2024
6:00 PM

Meeting Location: Tarea Hall Pittman South Branch Library
1901 Russell St, Berkeley, CA 94703

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel (left meeting 8:09 PM), Covarrubias, Crandall, Ibarra (arrived 6:12 PM), Pineda, Woo (arrived 6:07 PM)

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Hilary Amnah, Grants Program Lead; Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer; Mark Salinas, Public Art Program Lead

Members of the public present: 2

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda): 2

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a) Special Council Meeting July 30 at 3 PM for the Potential Arts Funding Ballot Measure
- b) Civic Arts Commission Retreat on September 15, 2024 to be held at Shorebird Nature Center

6. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS (All items for presentation, discussion and possible action)

- a) **Presentation:** San Pablo Specific Plan
Introduced by Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs

Officer and Presented by Robert Rivera, Senior Planner (Attachment 1)

Public Comment: None

- b) **Action:** Approval of Revised Design Development Phase of Artwork for the West Service Center by Lara Kaur
M/S/C (Covarrubias/Anno) to approve revised design development phase of artwork for West Service Center.
Vote: Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Crandall, Passmore, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.
Public Comment: None

- c) **Action:** Action Item: Artist Proposal for Cube Space Exhibition, September – November 2024
M/S/C (Ibarra/Crandall) to approve artist proposal for Cube Space exhibition September through November 2024.
Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Covarrubias, Crandall, Pineda, Woo; Nays — Bullwinkel; Abstain — Anno, Covarrubias; Absent — None.
Public Comment: None

- d) **Action:** FY25 Individual Artist Projects Grant Awards
M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Ibarra) to approve FY25 Arts Programs Grant Awards.
Vote: Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Crandall, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.
Public Comment: 2

- e) **Presentation:** Civic Arts Grantmaking Process
Public Comment: None

- f) **Action:** Council Referral Request for Amendments to the Public Art on Private Development Ordinance and Budget Referral Request for Fee Nexus Study
M/S/C (Covarrubias/Blecher) to request Council Referral for amendments to the Public Art on Private Development Ordinance and Budget Referral Request for Fee Nexus Study.
Vote: Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Covarrubias, Crandall, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Bullwinkel.
Public Comment: None

- g) **Presentation:** Private Percent for Art Quarterly Report
Public Comment: None

- h) **Presentation:** Civic Arts Grants-Funded Community Festivals Quarterly Report
Public Comment: None

7. STAFF REPORT

- a) Civic Arts Program Updates, Jennifer Lovvorn
b) Grants Program Updates, Hilary Amnah
c) Public Art Program Updates, Mark Salinas

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants – Met on July 12, 2024 to discuss grant awards.
- Dana Blecher, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Cameron Woo
- b) Public Art – No report.
- Modesto Covarrubias, Chair
 - Kim Anno
 - Cristina Ibarra
 - Eduardo Pineda
- c) Policy Subcommittee – Discussed the nexus study for public art ordinance.
- Kim Anno, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Cameron Woo
- d) Joint Subcommittee with Housing Advisory Commission – Next meeting is July 25.
- Kim Anno, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Cameron Woo
- e) Representative on Design Review Committee – No report.
- Cameron Woo

9. COMMUNICATION (Received from the Public for Items not on the Agenda)

- a) None

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) **Action:** M/S/C (Crandall/Anno) to approve Draft Minutes of June 26, 2024 Meeting.
Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Covarrubias, Crandall, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — Bachrach, Ibarra; Absent — Bullwinkel.

11. ADJOURNMENT 8:43 PM

- a) **Action:** M/S/C (Ibarra/Covarrubias) to adjourn.
Vote: Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Covarrubias, Crandall, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Bullwinkel.

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Draft Minutes
Civic Arts Commission Special Meeting
Sunday, September 15, 2024
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Shorebird Nature Center, 160 University Ave, Berkeley, CA 94710

1. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME: 10:09 AM

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Crandall, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Hilary Amnah, Grants Program Lead; Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer; Mark Salinas, Public Art Program Lead

Members of the public present: 0

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda): 0

5. ICEBREAKER

Commissioners and Staff shared early arts experiences still having an impact today. No action taken.

6. CHARTING OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Group Visual Note Taking Activity

Commissioners and staff contributed to the creation of a word-infused pictographic of recent Civic Arts accomplishments. No action taken.

7. WORKING LUNCH

Commissioners and Staff shared interests in Civic Arts Program. No action taken.

8. BREAK & STRETCH

9. DISCUSSION & TRAINING:

Commission Chair facilitated a conversation on current and upcoming Initiatives. No action taken.

- Nexus Study Budget Referral Request advocacy
- Arts Districts, especially West Berkeley Arts District
- Affordable Housing (Joint Subcommittee work and more)
- Arts Funding Ballot Measure for 2026
- Upcoming Public Art Strategic Planning Process
- Upcoming Economic Impact Study
- Arts & Culture Plan 2018 – 2017

10. REFLECTION

Commissioners and Staff shared highlights of the meeting. No action taken.

11. ADJOURNMENT: 2:56 PM

Action: M/S/C (Covarrubias/Anno) to adjourn. Vote: Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Crandall, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Lovvorn".