



Civic Arts Commission
Office of Economic Development

MINUTES
Civic Arts Commission Meeting
Wednesday, March 24, 2021
6:00 PM

No physical location; meeting held exclusively through videoconference and teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery.

Commissioners Absent: Rodriguez.

Staff Present: Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer and Chrystal O'Malley, Civic Arts Analyst.

Members of the public in attendance: 2

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

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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) **February 24, 2021 Draft Minutes**

Action: M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Anno) to approve the February 24, 2021 Minutes.

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, Ozol, Passmore; Nays — None; Abstain — Slattery; Absent — Rodriguez.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

a) 2021 Work Plan – Chair reported that there are twenty seven items on the work plan and asked Commissioners which items are a top priority for each member.

6. PRESENTATIONS and DISCUSSION

7. **ACTION ITEMS** (All items for discussion and possible action)

- a) **Proposed changes to fence mounted flower elements and didactic signage by Michael Arcega for the San Pablo Park public art project**

Action: M/S/C (Passmore/Anno) to approve changes to fence mounted flower elements and didactic signage by Michael Arcega for the San Pablo Park public art project.

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery;
Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Rodriguez.

8. **STAFF REPORT**

- a) New exhibition at Cube Space
b) Update on sound installation at Bart Plaza
c) Update on Rumford statue
d) Update on Study of Affordable Housing for Artists and Cultural Workers
e) Update on Berkeley Art Works Projects – Selection process commencing
f) Announce open RFQ for Fine Art Services Providers – Deadline April 6
g) Schedule for Civic Arts Grant Review Panels
h) Demographics for Civic Arts

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Grants — No meeting in March 2021.

- John Slattery, Chair
- Kim Anno
- Lisa Bullwinkel

- b) Policy — No meeting in March 2021.

- Kim Anno, Chair
- Lisa Bullwinkel
- Liz Ozol
- Joshua Sifuentes Rodriguez

- c) Public Art — Met on March 12 to discuss public art ordinance and proposed changes to San Pablo Park public art project.

- Matt Passmore, Chair
- Kim Anno
- Dana Blecher
- Modesto Covarrubias

- d) Representative on Berkeley Cultural Trust — Met on March 10 and discussed BCT

leadership discussion and opportunities to participate in advocacy for funding and reopening.

- Lisa Bullwinkel
- e) Representatives on Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee Representative — Met on March 22 and discussed reopening of schools as it relates to arts education and planning for BEARS summer arts program.
- Liz Ozol
 - Riti Dhesi
- f) Representative on Design Review Committee — Dana Blecher attended the last meeting to consider replacing Modesto Covarrubias on the Design Review Committee.
- Modesto Covarrubias
- g) Representatives on Civic Center Arts Hub Exploratory Group — The group is starting to set up tours of the Civic Center buildings with groups of six people each due to COVID-19. The group is also creating a survey to gather community feedback and is close to raising the funds to hire a seismic engineer.
- Dana Blecher
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Liz Ozol
- h) Representative on Ad-Hoc Artists Affordable Housing Committee — The group will be scheduling a meeting with affordable housing advocates.
- Kim Anno

10. COMMUNICATION

11. ADJOURNMENT Adjourn 7:28 PM

Action: M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to adjourn commission meeting.

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Rodriguez.

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