



Civic Arts Commission

**Draft Minutes
Civic Arts Commission
Wednesday, April 22, 2026
6:00 PM**

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

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Dutta-Choudhury, Montgomery, Pineda, Scott, Truc-Dao Kramer, Woo

Staff Present: Carianna Arredondo, Assistant to the City Manager, Hilary Amnah, Grants Program Lead, David White, Deputy City Manager

Staff Absent: Mark Salinas, Public Art Program Lead

General Public Present: 2

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, led by Chair Montgomery

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: 1

5. COMMUNICATIONS: 0

6. CHAIR'S REPORT: N/A

7. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSIONS, & ACTION ITEMS

a) **Action Item:** Selection of Policy and Grants Subcommittee Chairs and Members (5 minutes)

Introduced by Carianna Arredondo, Assistant to the City Manager

M/S (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to defer selection of Policy and Grants Subcommittee Chairs and Members to a future meeting.

Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Dutta-Choudhury, Kramer, Montgomery, Pineda, Scott, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None

Public Comment: 0

- b) **Discussion Items (7b-7e):** City of Berkeley Budget Updates, Continuity and Tracking of Pending Referrals and Policy Items, Civic Arts Commission Workplan Preparation, and Berkeley Cultural Trust Updates.
Discussion Held, Public Comment: 0

8. STAFF REPORTS

- a) Civic Arts Program Updates, Carianna Arredondo
- b) Grants Program Updates, Hilary Amnah

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants – Will plan to have convene meeting to draft Grant Subcommittee workplan and discuss grants cycle.
- b) Public Art – Will plan to have convene meeting to draft Public Art Subcommittee workplan.
- c) Policy – Will plan to convene meeting to draft Policy Subcommittee workplan.
- d) Design Review – None

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S (Pineda/ Blecher) to approve Draft Minutes of March 25, 2026 Meeting
Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Dutta-Choudhury, Montgomery, Pineda, Scott, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — Kramer; Absent — None.
Public Comment: 0

11. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS: 2

- 12. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM by unanimous consent.
Vote: All Ayes

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